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A CONFLICT APPROACHING.

President McKinley Will Lay the Cuban Matter Before Congress Tuesday.

A DECLARATION OF WAR WILL FOLLOW.

The Whole Record Will be Laid Before Congress, Accompanied by a Message from the President—War Preparations Being Vigorously Pushed.

WASHINGTON—At 11:30 o'clock Saturday night General Grosvenor announced positively, after an extended conference with the president, that the message on the Cuban question would not be sent to congress before Tuesday.

The participants in this conference were Senator Hanna, General Grosvenor and Judge A. G. Thompson, president of the criminal law codification commission. Attorney-General Griggs was present a short time.

General Grosvenor further said: "It is no child's play to prepare such a paper as the president will give to congress and the country. It will thoroughly review all of this country's diplomatic negotiations with Spain relative to Cuba, and will contain such recommendations as will appeal to the sense of right and justice of the American people."

Cabinet Regards Conflict Inevitable.

There is little doubt that President McKinley and the members of his cabinet now regard a conflict with Spain as almost inevitable. In his message to congress, which in all probability will be sent in Monday, and certainly early next week, it is understood that the president will review at some length the record as it stands between this government and Spain, but will not insist upon further time in which to continue negotiations looking to a peaceful solution of the Cuban problem. The cabinet meeting Friday morning was unquestionably the most important held in many years. It received Spain's answer to the ultimatum of this government, and, finding it unsatisfactory, practically decided upon a policy which at this hour seems certain to involve hostilities.

The whole record will be laid before congress, and the question is now under earnest consideration of what shall be the particular form our policy shall take in bringing to an end the horrors in Cuba and securing the independence of the island. Propositions ranging from a simple recognition of Cuban independence to a straight-out declaration of war have been urged at the capitol, but there is hardly a doubt but that the majority of congress await the executive lead before taking action, and is disposed to adopt Mr. McKinley's suggestion on this point. It is thought that any of the resolutions, except possibly simple recognition of independence, would lead to war.

PREPARING FOR FLIGHT.

Fearing an Outbreak, the Royal Family Ready to Get Away.

The German ambassador at Madrid, Herr Von Radowitz, reports to the foreign office at Berlin that the Spanish royal family fears an outbreak unless the differences between the United States and Spain are soon settled. The Carlist movement is assuming more active form, and the royal family fears especially a pronunciamento from General Weyler and the military party. Everything is prepared in the royal castles for flight. The boy king, Alphonso, will be taken to San Lucar de Berameda, an Andalusian port, where a yacht is kept ready for sailing.

The replies to the queen's letter asking for the intervention of the European powers have been wholly unsatisfactory.

Four Men Killed.

A special from Campbellsville, Ky., says: A boiler explosion, four miles north of town Friday morning, killed four men outright and fatally hurt another. The dead are: Thomas Ratcliff, Dock Wright, Clarence Ratcliff and Thomas Newcomb. Elma Ratcliff was scalded and will die. The boiler, engine and shingle mill were demolished. Fragments were blown in every direction. Low water caused the accident.

MAY FIND A WAY OUT.

Strong Influence Directed to Spain to Accept McKinley's Demand.

In spite of the gloomy aspect prevailing in Madrid Saturday morning, the Associated Press correspondent hears that Spain may find a way out of the difficulty and grant all that President McKinley asked, though in a different form. A diplomat friendly to both nations made a strong representation to an influential Spanish minister urging Spain to accept America's moderate demands, which he approved, and representing that if it was not done this week it would be too late. It is further learned that these representations had a decided effect.

Mrs. Nobles Will Not Hang.

The prison commission have recommended to Governor Atkinson, of Georgia, that the sentence of Mrs. Elizabeth Nobles, who was to have been hanged Friday at Macon, be commuted to imprisonment for life. The governor postponed the execution, and no doubt will endorse the finding of the commission.

The Flying Squadron.

Commodore Schley estimates that the flying squadron, now forming at Fortress Monroe, will be in complete form to move by next Saturday.

BRYAN ON CUBA.

Says Humanity Demands That This Government Shall Act.

Hon. W. J. Bryan has made the following statement for the Associated Press in answer to the question whether in his judgment the time had arrived for the United States to intervene in behalf of Cuba and bring the war to an end.

"Yes, the time for intervention has arrived. Cuba lies almost within sight of our shores, and the sufferings of her people cannot be ignored unless we, as a nation, have become so engrossed in money making as to be indifferent to distress.

"Intervention may be accompanied by danger and expense, but existence cannot be separated from responsibility and responsibility some times leads a nation as well as an individual into danger. A neighbor must some times incur danger for a neighbor and a friend for a friend.

"War is a terrible thing, and cannot be defended except as a means to an end, and yet it is some times the only means by which a necessary end can be secured. The state punishes its own citizens by imprisonment or even death when counsel and persuasion fail. War is the final arbiter between nations when reason and diplomacy are of no avail.

"Spain might not resist intervention; it is to be hoped she will recognize the right of the United States to act and immediately withdraw from Cuba; but whether she resists intervention or not, the United States must perform a plain duty.

"Spain has only herself to blame for the condition of affairs in Cuba. If she denies to her former subjects the right of war and calls the Cuban army a mob, let her remember the words of Victor Hugo:

"'The mob is the human race in misery.' No nation can afford to make its own people miserable.

"If the Cubans prefer death to Spanish rule, it must be because Spanish rule has robbed life of joy and hope. If a nation sows the wind, it must reap the whirlwind."

BRANN, OF THE ICONOCLAST, DEAD.

Fatal Wound Received in a Street Duel—Killed His Antagonist.

At 1:50 o'clock Saturday morning W. C. Brann, famous as the editor of The Iconoclast, died at his home in Waco, Texas, as the result of a pistol wound inflicted by Capt. W. M. Davis in a street fight. Davis is not expected to live, and is under influence of opiates. Brann's left lung was perforated, and he bled to death internally.

The combatants met at 6 o'clock Friday afternoon on the street, and after exchanging a few words both began emptying their revolvers into eacher's bodies. When the battle was over, Brann was found to be perforated in the left lung, the left leg and the right foot. Davis was shot through the right lung and through both of his arms.

The difficulty between the two men grew out of the Brann-Baylor feud of last year. Capt. Davis' daughters are pupils of Baylor university, and the references made in The Iconoclast to Baylor, which were generally construed to mean reflections on the moral character of the pupils and faculty, brought forth from Capt. Davis a denunciation of Brann delivered in language most forcible and direct.

THE 24 DE MAIO PURCHASED.

United States Secures Another Battle-Ship From Brazil.

The latest rumor is that the United States government has purchased the Brazilian battleship 24 De Maio at a cost of $3,000,000. The 24 De Maio is a steel-sheathed turreted vessel of 4,950 tons displacement and 6,200 indicated horse-power. She is 280 feet long, has 52 feet beam, draws 18 feet of water, and is driven by two propellers. She was built in England in 1884, at a cost of $1,725,260, exclusive of guns and ammunition. Her armored belt is eleven inches in thickness, and she has from ten to eleven and one-half inches of armor over her gun positions. The deck plating is two inches thick and the armament consists of four 9.4 guns, four 5.5 guns, two quick-firing guns and thirteen small rapid-fire guns. She has five torpedo tubes, is estimated to steam fifteen knots, carries a normal supply of 600 tons of coal, and her crew numbers 350 men.

Schofield Takes Charge.

Gen. John M. Schofield has taken formal charge of the National Volunteer Reserve and plans for speedily obtaining an available standing army of one million men were made at a meeting of the military committee in New York. General Schofield suggested that congress at once be asked to put the new organization on a permanent official basis. It will be in charge of an executive committee, consisting of Gen. Nelson A. Miles. Gen. Russell A. Alger, Col. Washington, General McCook, Gen. Molineaux, Gen. McMahon, Gen. Pierson, Gen. Riply and Gen. Wilson.

A Southern Editor Dead.

W. H. Edmonds, founder and editor of the Southern States Magazine, died last week at his home in Baltimore. He was one of the founders of the Manufacturers' Record and at one time proprietor of the Anniston, Ala., Hot Blast.

Appropriates $500,000 War Fund.

The legislature of Iowa before adjourning Friday passed a resolution giving the governor $500,000 in case of war, in enlisting, equipping and sending to the front Iowa's quota of troops for Cuba.

WAR CLOUD HAS NO EFFECT

On Business, and Nearly all Live Works Are Crowded With Orders.

PRICES OF IRON AND STEEL UNCHANGED.

Wheat Has Declined Slightly, but Corn Has Advanced—Cotton Shows Small Advance—Export Trade Continues Heavy—Business Failures.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

The war cloud which many have inferred must have greatly increased commercial disasters, does not appear to have any effect as yet and while there is some decline in the new orders for industries nearly all live works are covered so far ahead that the differences is not felt.

The outgo of bread stuffs continues, Atlantic exports being 2,516,220 bushels, flour included for the week, against 2,185,378 last year, and for the past five weeks from both coasts the exports have been 16,592,917 bushels, against 8,226,256 last year.

Meanwhile corn exports have been for the week 3,767,029 bushels against 4,291,621 last year.

Wheat has declined slightly, but corn has advanced one quarter of a cent for the week. Cotton has advanced an eighth because of the idea that production may be reached although receipts from plantations thus far have been greater by about 700,000 bales than in 1895 from the largest crop ever raised, and while the mills are now nearly all active the consumption does not exceed the maximum. The smallest sales of wool of many years are reported at Boston, and at the three chief markets sales have been only 1,466,500 pounds for the week and about a fifth of last year's for the quarter. The stocks held by manufacturers have evidently been much greater than anybody supposed and they are not yet buying after several months of waiting, nor showing any disposition to buy, though nearly all their works are running full time.

The iron and steel markets show no decrease, for with works fully employed and some additional works put into operation for government purposes, pig is not lower anywhere.

Billets are still scarce and sheet bars are in demand. Prices for manufactured products are unchanged, although rails are a shade stronger.

Failures for the week have been 220 in the United States against 260 last year.

IT CAME TOO LATE.

Spain Annuls Gen. Weyler's Barbaric Plan of Concentration.

Havana, (Special).—Captain-General Blanco has issued an important decree, dated March 30, in which he directs the end of reconcentration in the four western provinces—Pinar del Rio, Havana, Matanzas and Santa Clara.

The preamble sets forth that the pacification of said provinces having been considerably advanced by the combined action of arms and the natural effect of the establishment of autonomy in giving security to the country, making possible the advancement of the sugar, tobacco and food crops, it also being near the time when the minor plantings give the means of living to the laboring classes, also believing the time has come to resume the normal conditions in the towns and villages, to do away with the causes of suffering among the people, to remove as far as possible all the effects of reconcentration, and further to give complete liberty to all the country people to return to such places as they desire, to do such labor as they may select, this order is issued.

The preamble further says that for the reconcentrados who, being without resources or instruments with which to labor, remain in the towns or centers previously set apart for their use, the colonial government will with great urgency propose to the governor-general a plan of relief. In this plan the mayors and alcaldes are expected to take part, establishing soup kitchens, etc., and doing all in their power to terminate the existing misery.

Projectiles for Spain.

The Kynochs, of Birmingham, Eng., have undertaken to deliver 200 huge projectiles weekly to Spain.

Fleet Has Not Arrived at Puerto Rico.

MADRID.—The statement cabled that the torpedo flotilla of Spain has arrived at Puerto Rico was taken from a newspaper here. Investigation shows the announcement to be erroneous. The Spanish flotilla has arrived at Cape De Verde Islands, and it will proceed after coaling. As it has taken the Spanish flotilla nine days to make the Cape De Verde Islands from the Canary Islands, which they left on March 24, it should, roughly speaking, going at about the same rate of speed, take the flotilla about twenty-six days from now to reach Puerto Rico from the Cape De Verde Islands, supposing the flotilla was able to coal and start again Saturday.

READY TO CO-OPERATE.

Insurgents Will March on Havana When War is Declareed.

It was said at the Cuban junta in New York Saturday that the insurgents were prepared to give material aid to the United States should war with Spain be declared. "It the United States sent us arms and ammunition," an attache said, "we could raise our army to sixty thousand men, march on Havana and raze the city or storm the occupants into submission."

ANSWER UNSATISFACTORY

To President McKinley's Demand for Cessation of Hostilities in Cuba.

WANTS TIME TO TREAT WITH INSURGENTS.

Spain's Reply Considered a Shrewd Piece of Diplomacy—All Hopes for a Peaceful Settlement of Controversy Have Vanished—Situation in Cuba.

WASHINGTON (Special)—The reply of Spain to the note of the United States, demanding the immediate cessation of hostilities in Cuba, is said, in effect, to be:

The independence of Cuba means the parting or cession of Spanish territory, which cannot be done without the consent of the Spanish cortes, which is not in session, and will not be in session until April 24, and consequently no definite answer can be returned to the demand of the United States until the cortes assembles.

Then a counter proposition is submitted that the Cuban matter shall be settled upon a basis equitable among nations.

The United States is asked to give Spain time to treat with the insurgents and ascertain what can be done in the nature of a peaceful settlement.

Senators who know the nature of the Spanish reply say it is a very shrewd piece of diplomacy, and made for its effect upon the world at large.

It is said that the reply is unsatisfactory to the president, and that he does not believe it would be satifactory to congress.

Administration circles feel that after Monday congress is likely to take matters in its own hands, and the fear is expressed there may be a disagreement between the branches of the government, which would be unfortunate at this critical period.

No one about the capitol has undertaken to speak for the president, although those who have seen him say his hopes for a peaceful solution of the difficulty have been disappointed by the reply of Spain.

Woodford Explains the Situation in Cuba.

The following is an abstract from the telegram received from General Woodford on the evening of March 31, 1898, on the general situation in Cuba:

He informs the government of the United States that General Blanco has revoked the bando relating to the reconcentrados in the western provinces of Cuba, which are understood to be the provinces of Matanzas, Santa Clara, Havana and Pinar del Rio; that the Spanish government has placed at the disposal of the governor-general the credit of 3,000,000 pesetas ($600,000) to the end that the country people might return at once and with success to their labors.

The Spanish government will accept whatever assistance to feed and succor the necessitous that may be sent from the United States in accordance with the plan now in operation.

He proposes to confide the preparation for an honorable and stable peace to the Insular parliament, without whose concurrence the Spanish government would not be able to arrive at the final result, it being understood that the powers reserved by the constitution to the central government are not less diminished.

As the Cuban chambers will not meet until the 4th day of May, the Spanish government will not on its part object to a suspension of hostilities if asked for by the insurgents from the general-in-chief, from whom it will be long to determine the duration and condition of the suspension.

This Ends the Negotiations.

In connection with the official statement made public Friday afternoon, it can be stated on authority that the case now made up of negotiations between the United States and Spain will constitute the case as it will be submitted to congress in the president's message. There is no present intention to pursue further negotiations which will change the status of the Cuban question as now presented in the correspondence between Spain and the United States.

According to the best information obtainable Spain has definitely resolved not to make any further concessions to the United States.

READY TO WITHDRAW.

Spain's Minister Instructed to Be in Readiness to Quit His Post.

It is reported in Washington, but not authoritatively confirmed, that the Spanish minister, Polo y Barnabe, received instructions from Madrid to be ready to withdraw from this court and take leave of this government at a moment's notice. In all probability Minister Woodford and Consul-General Lee will be withdrawn from Madrid and Havana at an early date. They have been instructed to be in readiness to quit their posts. This is done as a precautionary measure, to be ready to act in harmony with Spain's possible breaking of diplomatic relations

SPANISH FLOTILLA

Was Seen by a London-Bound Steamer Steaming Slowly Towards Cuba.

A steamer which has arrived at London from Las Palmas, Canary Islands, reports having met four Spanish torpedo boats and three torpedo boat destroyers with an escort ship on March 23, a few miles distant from Las Palmas. They were going south and were understood to be bound for Cuba. The flotilla was steaming slowly and looked most imposing, but with no bunting showing.

WOODFORD PREPARING TO RETURN

"If You Want Peace Prepare for War," is the Spanish Slogan.

LONDON, (Special)—A special dispatch from Madrid says United States Minister Woodford is making the necessary preparations to leave Madrid immediately in the event of a diplomatic rupture.

The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail says: Spain, acting on the principle "Si vis pacem, para bellum" (if you wish peace prepare for war), continues her preparations for hostilities with America. The coast defenses of the peninsula are an efficient state, rather more so than two years ago, when the seizure of the Competitor by Lieutenant-General Weyler brought the two countries to the verge of hostilities. These defenses were inspected by an eminent Spanish general and the necessary works have gone quietly on ever since.

A DEMON OF THE SEA.

The Dynamite Cruiser Nearly Ready to Join the Squadron in the Gulf.

The work of overhauling the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius, the work on her guns and fitting her up for active service, is now almost finished, and she probably will be ordered to leave the Washington navy yard for the south within the next few days. The men are engaged at present giving her a coat of black paint, preparatory to painting her a dark green. The Vesuvius has not as yet taken aboard the many tons of dynamite that she carries in her magazines; this will be the last thing that will be loaded.

One of the officers, discussing the possibility of war, said: "There is one satisfaction about being aboard a ship like this: In case we are struck right, there will be no board of inquiry and no trouble about divers. The thing to do will be to erect a monument to our memory and attend to our obituaries, for there will not be piece of the boat left big enough for a souvenir."

SPAIN IS FIRM.

Will Make No Further Concessions, and That Means War.

MADRID, (Special.)—According to the best information obtainable Saturday Spain has definitely resolved not to make any further concessions to the United States.

The message which the Cuban colonial government has addressed to President McKinley through Senor Polo y Bernabe, Spanish minister at Washington, the full text of which has been published here, has caused a feeling of deep emotion throughout Spain, since it represents the opinion not only of "a large majority of the Cubans," but also the unanimous feeling of all political parties, whose leaders were consulted prior to its dispatch.

EARTHQUAKE IN CALIFORNIA.

Heavy Damage Sustained by the Mare Island Navy Yard.

San Francisco and a portion of the state was shaken at 11:30 Wednesday night by the most severe earthquake experienced since 1838, when several persons were killed. No fatalities are reported thus far, though considerable damage was done.

Owing to the damage done by the earthquake work has been temporarily shut down at the Mare Island navy yard, and the 1,700 employes are idle. Only two of the buildings escaped damage.

A conservative estimats of the damage done by the earthquake shocks at the navy yard is placed at $500,000. All departments have ceased work except that of equipment and the yards and docks.

PENSIONS FOR CONFEDERATES.

If They Are Entitled to Them After Service for Ninety Days.

The Chickering general bill, declaring that enlistment in either the army or navy will not deprive veterans of pensions for previous service, has been agreed on in the house committee on invalid pensions, with an amendment. The following amendment was adopted:

"All persons who served in the Confederate army during the late civil war who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States for at least ninety days, shall be entitled to benefits of the act of June 27, 1890, and pensionable thereunder, if shown to be unable to perform manual labor and dependent thereon for support."

Arbitrate Maine Matter.

The latest phase of the situation in Madrid is the report that the pope is urging Spain to offer an armistice and also that his holiness urges the insurgents to accept it. The note, which was transmitted to Washington in addition to the proposition in regard to an armistice and the reconcentrados, expresses regret "at the accident to the Maine in Spanish waters" and offers to arbitrate the matter.

Will Purchase St. Thomas Island.

The senate committee on foreign relations has reached a decision to purchase the Danish island of St. Thomas.

Will Favor Armed Intervention.

It is said the full senate committee on foreign relations has practically agreed to accept the recommendation of the sub-committee for a resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba, and recommending armed intervention if necessary to secure it

Alice Mitchell, the young woman of Memphis, who a few years ago created a sensation by cutting the throat of Freda Ward, an intimate friend, died last week.

NEWS OF A GREAT STATE.

Topics of the Day in Alabama Recapitulated in Condensed Form.

BRILLIANT AUTHORESS CLAIMED BY DEATH.

Colony of Italians Locating in Jefferson. Government Inquiry for Alabama Coal—Corps of New Militia to be Organized—Interesting News.

Alabama to the Front.

Lieut. John B. Hood, of Florence, has received orders from the naval department to report for duty at once at New York. He will have command of the torpedo boat Hawk, of the mosquito fleet.

To Organize a Corps of Naval Militia.

Hon. Robert J. Ligon, adjutant-general of the Alabama National Guard, is now in Mobile in conference with officials of the federal navy relative to organizing a corps of naval militia for the protection of Mobile and the balance of the gulf coast.

The Hargrove Strike.

The strike at the Hargrove mines is still on. T. H. Aldrich, of the Southern Cahaba Mining company, says that the strike was concerning a difference in a heading in the mines. While the men are out, some necessary repairs would be made and there was no urgent demand for coal anyway.

Populist Nominations in St. Clair.

Full details from the populist convention in St. Clair county show nominations as follows: Judge of probate, W. S. Foreman; circuit clerk, W. A. Hood; commissioners—first district, H. Chatman; second district, C. M. Simpson; representative, N. B. Shears; superintendent of education, N. B. Spratley.

After Sunday Liquor Sellers.

The Y. M. C. A. of Birmingham has commenced a crusade against Sunday liquor sellers in that city. Thursday morning Arlie Berber, a prominent member of the association, swore out a warrant for the arrest of Dick Hawkins and Dave Polk, two barkeepers, on the charge of selling on Sunday. Twenty other warrants, it is announced, are forthcoming soon.

Completed to Columbus.

Thursday the extension of the Mobile & Ohio railroad, from Tuskaloosa to Columbus, Miss., was opened for business. It is not prepared as yet to handle traffic from all stations, as all the agents have not yet been named. Because of the newness of the roadbed the schedule at present will be slow. Before a great while the new road will be in shape for regular business. Work of completing the extension from Tuskaloosa to Montgomery is being rapidly pushed.

Significant Query.

A significant inquiry has been received by the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad company. The president and general manager of the Gulf Transit company, at Pensacola, wired the company asking how much coal they could deliver daily at that port in case it was made a coaling station. This would seem to indicate that the government is seriously considering the use of Pensacola for a supply station for coal for ships in Southern waters. A reply was dispatched back that the company could supply three to five thousand tons per diem, and more, if necessary.

A Brilliant Woman Dead.

Mrs. J. S. D. Davis, died at her home in Birmingham last Friday. Deceased was one of the most brilliant young women in the state of Alabama. Years ago she did literary work on the Age-Herald, in which she achieved an enviable reputation and and afterwards and up to very recently contributed to the leading magazines of the country both prose and poetry and wrote "Judith," a novel of exceptional merit. A few weeks ago she assisted in organizing the Women's Press Club of Alabama and became its secretary. She was one of the founders and the first editor of the Free Lance, a bright society and literary weekly published in Birmingham. Mrs. Davis was well known in the literary world as Miss Margaret E. O'Brien, her maiden name.

Italians Locating in Jefferson County

An Italian colony is being established near Irondale, in Jefferson county, and the first batch, about sixty in number, arrived at that place during the past week. A year or two ago a large number of Italians were brought from Italy to be colonized on a large body of land purchased near Sunnyside, Ark. The men, after working the land there for several months, became dissatisfied, and a stampede back to sunny Italy was threatened. Every effort was made to quiet the movement to return to the old country, but it has kept up until another location was deemed advisable, and the selection of a site at Irondale is the result of the dissatisfaction with the first location.

The land at Irondale is to be cultivated at once, vineyards to be started and truck gardening begun. Irondale is five miles east of Birmingham, in a beautiful valley at the foot of Red Mountain—an ideal spot for a colony.

BRIEFLY NOTED.

Work is in progress on the new railroad to the Leeds ore fields.

Judicious advertising pays.

Wm. C. Caldwell, ex-circuit clerk of St Clair county, died at Ashville last week.

The Huntsville Electric Light company is building a new plant at a cost of $12,000.

The senate has rejected the nomination of James A. Grimmet to be postmaster at Tuskegee.

Ed Harrison, white, killed Handy Montuas, colored, near Newton. They fell out over an account.

The Enterprise Spoke factory, at Gurley, is making 3,000 spokes a day, and employing twenty-seven men.

The Mobile & Ohio construction train has entered Autauga county and will be in Prattville in the next ten days.

W. C. Wiley, democratic nominee for state senator from Montgomery county, will offer, if elected, for president of the senate.

W. R. Smith, editor of the Carbon Hill Chronicle, died Friday after an illness that lasted pretty much all winter—something in the nature of dropsy.

The coal output for the month of March at Pratt mines was unprecedented in the history of the company, the total amount mined being over 173,000 tons.

Peter J. T. Kauffman, a prominent lawyer and republican politician of Huntsville, committed suicide at Alexandria, Va., by shooting himself. Despondency is given as the cause for the act.

Fifty car loads of cattle have been shipped from Ozark to the west, and the industry continues unabated. It is estimated that out of Dale and Coffee counties 150 car loads will be shipped during the season.

The National Cellulose company has proposed to erect a cellulose plant at Huntsville if the farmers of Madison county will furnish enough corn stalks to run the plant during the first year for $4 a ton and take in payment for same preferred 6 per cent stock.

Henry and Richard Clark are employed by the United States government as mail carriers from Ashville to Towns, located in the mountains. They are brothers, and both are stone-blind. They go two different routes and over a very rough country. Still no one guides them, and they trust entirely to the intelligence of their horses.

GERMANY WANTS SATISFACTION.

Has a Grievance Against Spain—May Send a Warship to Cuba.

BERLIN, (Special.) — Germany has commenced diplomatic representations to Spain relative to the Cannamaba case, and the German cruiser Geler has been ordered to get ready to proceed to Cuba, if satisfaction is not quickly forthcoming. The German version of the Cannamaba case is that some Cuban insurgents, during the night of March 12, attacked a German refinery at Cannamaba, belonging to the firm of Fischer & Schmidt, of Trinidad, province of Santa Clara. The insurgents are said to have rifled the safes, burned the buildings, killed four persons and wounded ten occupants of the refinery.

A $1,000,000 WAR FUND

To Equip New York's National Guard for Immediate Service.

Governor Black, of New York, has sent to the legislature an emergency message, advising an immediate appropriation of $1,000,000 as a contingent war fund. Governor Black's message says:

"Events are now transpiring of so grave and general import that the attention of every enlightened people is fixed upon our own. The crisis which our national government now meets involves those deep considerations which affect the future of the race. To aid that government by approval and support; to sustain its hand when raised for justice and fair play, is the duty of every state."

Immediately on receipt of the message a bill in conformity with its suggestions was introduced and passed unanimously.

Strength of the Militia.

The military information division of the war department has made public a table bearing on the strength of the militia of the United States in 1897. The authorized strength of the militia of the entire country (which, however, includes several states where this strength is not limited) is 186,848, while the aggregate actual strength is 114,000. The total number of men liable to military duty in the country is 10,378,118.

Powder for Cubans.

Cuban agents or sympathizers in Chicago are busy shipping gunpowder and cartridges to the Florida coast. At Miami it is taken aboard small filibustering ships that deliver it to the insurgents. Twenty carloads have been shipped within a month, and half as many more are being arranged to follow.

The senate has confirmed the nomination of German Bulle, of New York, to be consul at Carderas, Cuba.

Japan Wants Help.

It is rumored in London that Japan has asked the United States to join Great Britain in supporting Japan's refusal to withdraw from Wei-Hai-Wei after the payment of the Chinese war indemnity, in view of the possibility of Russia seizing that port.

Stripping for War.

The work of stripping the United States warships of their woodwork, in readiness for war service, is in progress at Key West.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 23rd of April, 1998.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

The Advocate is authorized to announce G. B. Deans as a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby county, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23rd, 1898.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 23rd of April, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 23rd of April, 1898.

We are authorized to announce John H. Leonard as a candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court of Shelby county, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to held April 23rd 1898.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

The friends of T. A. Huston announce him as a candidate for County Supt. of Education, subject to the action of the People's Party primary April 23, 1898.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23rd 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 23rd of April, 1898.

Mr. Editor.—Please announce W. C. Powers as a candidate for Commissioner from the second district, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties.

MANY FRIENDS.

Primary Election Notice.

By authority of the county executive committee, a primary election will be held at the various voting places in Shelby county, on Saturday, April 23rd, 1898, for the purpose of electing candidates for Representative, Probate Judge, Circuit Clerk, County Superintendent of Education and Commissioners from the 2nd and 4th commissioners districts.

At the same time the populists of each beat will elect three executive committeemen to serve two years.

The populist executive committee of each beat will act as managers of the election and send up the certified returns to the county executive committee, which will meet at the court house at 12 m., on Monday, April 25th, for the purpose of counting the vote and declaring the result.

JNO. W. PITTS,
Chairman.

J. F. MCGRAW,
Secretary.

At the populist primary in St. Clair county last week, Hon. W. S. Foreman was nominated for Probate Judge and N. A. Hood for Circuit Clerk, Col N. B. Speers for Representative and Mr. Spradley for Supt. of Education had no opposition and were of course nominated.

Phil Armour, who was in Birmingham Tuesday, says: "There will be no war. The entire business interests of this country is opposed to war and the business interests are powerful enough to prevent war. Mark my words."

What War Costs.

War is not such a fine thing as some of those who want it believe. "A war would make things hum," is the headline in a recent journal.

Would it? Let us see. During the civil war vast fortunes were made by those who staid at home and traded while the soldier boys went out and fought. Trade was lively; never so brisk, those who had things to sell to the government declared. It was all very fine, truly. The peddlers of shoddy and hard tack danced while the war lasted and when it was over they retired and let the people of the United States pay the piper. They have been paying him ever since. The government had left on its hands a huge lot of old iron that went to the junkshops, and thousand of horses, wagons and mules that were worth not a hundredth part of what they had cost.

At the beginning of the year 1861 the debt of the United States was less than $60,000,000. August 1, 1865, it was $2,756,431,571. We have been paying that debt ever since, we the people of the United States. The lowest point it reached was in 1891, when it was $1,546,961,455. Then it began to ascend again until at the close of 1897 it had climed to $1,808,777,643. Yet it has been 33 years since the war closed and we have been paying taxes to scale that debt down all this time. In interest we have paid it over and again. This interest, with the awful load of pensions that have to be paid because of the war, keeps the United States government so poor that in this land of plenty and prosperity it is frequently hard put to it to meet its expenses. We have made in this count no mention of the loss to the genuinely productive industries, those which add to the world's wealth, of the labor of each of the 4,000,000 of men on both sides who were fighting in that four years' war.

Do we want any more of that particular kind of "humming" in this country? No, we don't, not if we can help it honorably.

So far from being a benefit commercially in any sense war is the greatest of destroyers of real wealth, greater than all other agencies put together. For that reason millionaires and rich men turn cowards at the mention of a contest which will undoubtedly bring down the price of their vested interests. But rich cowards are as far wrong as the jingoes who want war because they have nothing to lose. If war cannot be escaped without dishonor, let us have it, and we will fight it to the victorious end like patriots who would give a hundred lives each for their country if they had them.—Alabama Monitor.

It looks now as if there will be hot times in Calhoun next summer.

Dr. W. H. Johnston, of Birmingham, one of the most prominent physicians in the State, died last Monday at his home in that city.

The funeral of Mrs. Margarette O'Brien Davis in Birmingham last Sunday was the largest outpouring of people ever witnessed it that city.

Hon. R. M. Honeycutt, the present incumbent, who was elected by the populists, is announced as an independent candidate for Probate Judge of Chilton county.

Down in Chilton politics is warming up considerably. Three or four candidates for Probate Judge are announced subject to the populist primary, and quite a number for circuit clerk.

In Calhoun county, Judge Crook of the Probate court, refuses to go into the democratic primary, and announces himself as an independent candidate for re-election to the office of Probate Judge.

It is said the Gov. Bob Taylor, of Tennessee, fiddled himself into Congress. Our Bill Sturdivant is not a fiddler, but if he don't laugh himself into the Legislature, we will acknowledge that we were mistaken.

Next Saturday the democratic beat meetings take place. Up to this time only one candidate—Judge McMillan is announced for office before their convention. What does it mean? Have they given up the fight before the battle commences? Or are they waiting for the pops to show their hand so as to attack their weak points? Time will tell.

A Card.

Highland, Ala., April 1, 1898.

To the people of Shelby county:

On the 7th day of March, ult., I received the nomination of one faction, wing or branch of the Republican party of Shelby county as its candidate to the next general Assembly of Alabama.

This is an honor I did not seek, one I am unworthy, one I did not want, and under all the circumstances, one I will decline.

My reason for this action is, a divided house will not, nor can it, stand. And besides for me to accept the nomination aforesaid, makes it possible for this county to be represented by a democrat in the next Legislature. God forbid.

It is well known that I have no interest in common with the democratic party, and before I would subscribe to or do a thing which would in any form, shape or fashion or manner tend in the rumotist sense to make it possible for such a thing to happen, then good-bye wife and children, I am gone.

I am in sympathy with the Republican party of Shelby county, and that they are deserving and entitled to more recognition, by the people than they have been and are now receiving at the hands of a few blatout-mouth, mush-headed would-be leaders no sane person can or will deny.

I am the tool of no man, and so long as I keep myself respect, will not be.

The report that I was in the race for the legislature in the interest of democracy is a lie of whole whit, and its author is not one which is better than a cur.

In conclusion. Harmonize, harmonize. Don't waist your amunition on one another. Fight to the very ditch of the enemy. Go into it if necessary and run the democracy into the "road sir."

Its history need not be pointed out in detail for proof of its corruption. Think if you can, of one thing it ever did worth recollecting.

W. T. JOHNSON.

If the McKinley diplomacy shall be equal to the achievement of indirectly forcing Spain, apparently of her own accord, to let Cuba go, that, too, without war or without greatly hurting Spanish pride, it will have accomplished a splendid victory of statesmanship.—Alabama Monitor.

It was right that President McKinley should lay the full report of the Maine inquiry before congress and ask their help in this crisis. The president can depend on the common sense as well as the loyalty of both congress and the American people.—Alabama Monitor.

Hon. S. M Adams is a candidate for Probate Judge of Chilton county, subject to the action of the people's party primary.

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Mr. W. A. Turk, General Passenger Agent of the Southern Railway, is collating information for Summer Homes' Folder for the ensuing Summer, giving the names of proprietors, postoffice addresses, at or near what station, conveyance used, number of guests, terms per day, week and month. This information will be printed in an attractive form and a large edition published and distributed by the various agents of this immense system throughout all sections of the country. Persons contemplating taking boarders for the ensuing Summer are requested to apply to the nearest railroad agent for blank to be filled out giving the above information, and forward at once to W. A. Turk, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C., so that it may reach him not later than April 1st.

In ordinary times the opposing political parties of this country appear ready to fly at each other's throats and eat each other. It is their way of amusing themselves At the first signal of danger to the country, however, every difference vanishes and Republican, Democrat and Populist alike unite to uphold the hands of the president of this Union—may it live forever! The unanimity with which congress without regard to party supports President McKinley is the real sign of how Americans love their country.—Alabama Monitor.

Camp Hardee, United Confederate Veterans, of Birmingham, adopted resolutions last Saturday heartily commending President McKinley for his patriotic endeavor to save the country from the horrors of war, and pledging themselves as Veterans and as citizens, should war become necessary, to support the government against Spain with the life and future of each of its members.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

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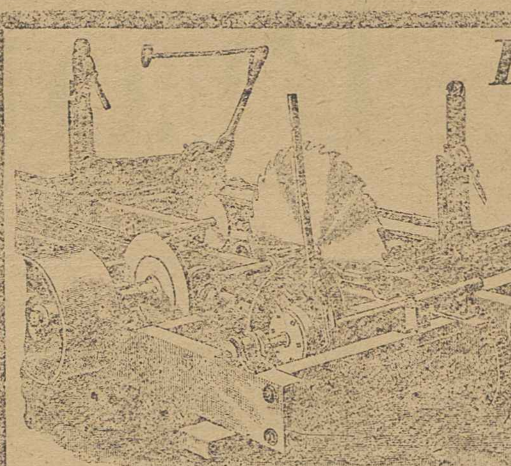

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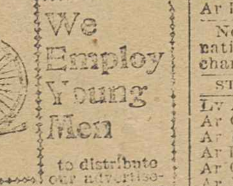

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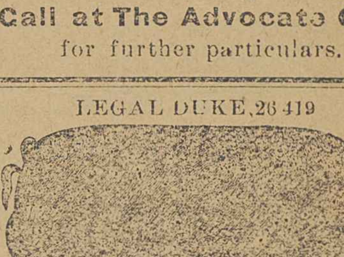

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COMMISSIONERS SALE.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, Judge of Probate for Shelby county, Alabama, I, D. C. Davis, as commissioner in said decree named and appointed, will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on the premises near Fourmile church, on Saturday the 30th day of April, 1898, during the legal hours of sale, the following described real property, viz: The SW¼ and the S½ of S½ of NW¼, all in sec. 26, tp. 20 range 1 east, containing 200 acres more or less, which said property is held and owned jointly by Mary T. Taylor and her husband J. N. Taylor, who own six and two-third shares in said property, John Jones who owns one share and Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders, each of whom owns one-sixth of one share or interest; said sale is to be made for the purpose of making an equitable division between the said joint owners.

D. C. DAVIS,
Commissioner.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one Fi Fa, issued from the Chancery Court of Shelby county, Sixth District north-eastern chancery division, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the court house in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 21st day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The east half of the northeast quarter, section 34, township 21, range 3 west, Also one dwelling house and lot in the town of Montevallo, said house is now occupied by H. R. Wells, formerly known as the Tom Wells house; bounded on the south by the Sam Allen lot, fronting street running from foot bridge to Southern Railroad. All in Shelby County, Ala.

Levied upon as the property of H. R. Wells, to satisfy said Fi Fa in my hands in favor of the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited.

This 14th day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST Sheriff.

The above sale has been postponed until April 25th, 1898

APPLICATION TO SELL LAND

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY. } PROBATE COURT SHELBY COUNTY ALA.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, Judge of Probate for Shelby county, Ala., I, as administrator of the estate of William Booth, deceased, will sell at public out cry, to the highest bidder for cash, at Montevallo, Ala., on Wednesday, the 16th day of March 1898, during the legal hours of sale, for the purpose of distribution among the heirs of said place, all the following described real estate belonging to the estate of William Booth deceased, viz: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, and part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 20, township 21, range 4 west, containing 74 acres more or less, and situated in Shelby county, Ala.

This the 22d day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST,
Administrator of the Estate of William Booth Deceased.

The above sale has been postponed until April 11th, 1898.

THE-:-PEOPLE S-:-ADVOCATE

SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Points About People You Know, and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

That Mass Meeting.

We erred last week in saying that a mass meeting of the populists would be held at the court house April 30th to select delegates to the different conventions. The secretary had not fur ished us with a copy of the minutes and we got the resolution as adopted by the committee wrong. The resolution as adopted was as follows:

Resolved, That the executive committee meet at the court house on Monday, April 25th 1898, to count the vote and declare the result, when the committee will be turned into a mass meeting for the purpose of electing delegates to the State, Congressional, Judicial and Chancery conventions.

Circuit Court

Is still in session. The criminal docket was taken up Monday. Tuesday morning the Rice case was called and both sides announced ready. At this writing, Wednesday, the trial is still in progress. Messrs. Longshore & Beavers, with the Solicitor represent the State, and Messrs. Browne & Leeper and W. S. Cary the defense.

The case of the State vs. Jasper Nabors is set for to-day. If this case is tried it will consume the balance of the week.

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The Election

For Mayor and Aldermen of Columbiana last Monday, resulted in the election of the following ticket:

Mayor, W. F. Thetford, Jr.; Aldermen, Henry Milner, W. G. Parker, J. T. Finley, J. W. Dykes and E. D. Hall.

Attention Wilsonville!

I will be at Wilsonville April 13, 14, 15 and 16th, fully prepared to do all kinds of dental operations. See my "ad" in this paper.

Dr. W. A. Lovett,
Dentist.

In another column will be found the announcement of Mr. T. A. Huston for County Supt. of Education. Mr. Huston is too well known in Shelby to require any recomendation at our hands. He is upright, honest and competent. That if he gets the nomination, he will be elected, goes without the saying. He has been tried and found worthy.

The genial W. H. Sturdivant, candidate for Representative, is in the city this week shaking hands with the boys. He is having his own fun as he goes along, and when the canvass opens will throw more life into the campaign than was ever known in Shelby before.

We had a slow rain all day Monday and Monday night. Tuesday the wind shifted to the north and Tuesday night was the coldest in weeks. It is not known yet what is the damage to vegitation. But for the wind, which blew all night, everything would have been killed.

Commissioners court was in regular session Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdap. We will try and publish a synopsis of their proceedings next week.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott preached two able and interesting sermons in the Presbyterian church last Sunday, morning and evening.

So many of our friends are in the city this week attending court that we could not attempt to mention them all.

Miss Blossom Densler, a charming young lady of Wilsonville, was the guest of Miss T. Hammond last week.

Mrs. W. M. Calohan, of Blocton, visited relatives in the city several days this week.

Miss Naldo Christian, of Shelby, visited relatives in the city Tuesday.

John Millstead, of Wilsonville, was in the city Tuesday.

A Card.

To the voters of Shelby county:

In as much as the duties devolving on me in my capacity as Chairman of the State Executive Committee of the People's Party of Alabama demand almost all my time, consequently depriving me of the pleasure of visiting the respective communities in the county, in order to speak in person to the voters in advocacy of my candidacy for the nomination to the office of Judge of Probate. I deem it proper and expedient to avail myself of the columns of the Advocate in order to define my position on the questions which are of interest to the people.

It is hardly necessary for me to say that I stand squarly upon the Omaha platform, and the State platform adopted in 1896 by the People's Party convention at Montgomery. I believe in an economical administration of our County and affairs. In these times of depression, especially among the agricultural classes, I believe it to be the duty of every official to work for the cutting down of expenses, so as to lessen if possible, the tax levy in our county. Being a farmer myself, I feel and realize the necessity and importance of lessening the burdens of excessive taxation imposed on them.

I have been requested to define my position on the county court of Shelby county as at present constituted. While I have not had an opportunity to look into the full details of its workings, yet from the hasty examination I have made, I am induced to believe that it is an unneccssary expense to the county, and could well be dispensed with. From what information I have, it seems that the members of the Bar and some county officials are the only ones benefitted by the existence of this court, the people bearing the expense and the lawyers and officials reaping the benefit, therefore I favor the repeal of the law under which it is held. I am most fully committed to fair elections, and should I be elected to the office to which I aspire, it will be my duty as well as my pleasure, to see that all political parties are fairly represented at the polls.

Respectfully,
G. B. Deans.

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Seventh Grade—Lallage Longshore, Minnie McGiboney, Georgia Thomas, Myrtle Thompson, Florence Spencer, Carrie Rowe, Bernard Finley, Pierce Mason.

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Hon. G. B. Deans, candidate for Probate Judge, is mixing with the people here this week.

Sam Lefkovits, of Bessemer, was in the city several days this week.

Miss Ella Tallant is visiting relatives in Calera this week.

Mrs. T. J. Weaver returned Tuesday from Jacksonville.

Mrs. J. W. Johnston spent Saturday in Birmingham.

Sterrett.

Health of community not good.

Ben Greer, of this place, is quite sick. We hope for him an early recovery.

We are glad that the people of this place have decided to have a school. Prof. Williams, of Sylacauga, is the teacher. We hope they will be satisfied with him.

A. B. Turner is quite sick. We hope for him an early recovery.

R. H. Jarrett, of this place, kirdly thanks his neighbors for helping him roll logs on Friday last.

J. B. Kincaid spent Saturday night and Sunday with home folks. Come again John, we are more than glad to see you.

J. M. Payton is attending court this week.

Will Kidd, of Vincent, we learn, went fox hunting one night last week and got lost, and when he found himself, he was at Sterrett.

Died, at her home on last Saturday, aunt Drue Webster. She was as well as common as far as we know, she called her neice Mrs. Bilbry, and did not breathe but once or twice after she got to her. She has left this troublesome world and gone to a better home above. Her remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at this place, after funeral services, by Rev. S. V. McGinnis.

Quaker.

Fourmile.

Health good.

We are having plenty of rain at present.

Miss Eva Farr was the guest of Miss Jennie Hadaway Sunday evening.

Our esteemed friend, J. F. Baker, was in our community Saturday and Sunday.

J. W. Spearman attended the singing at the Kingdom church Sunday.

L. B. Riddle went over to Saginaw Saturday looking after the interest of his school.

Several of our boy's went to Yellow Leaf Sunday to see their best girls.

Montgomery Fancher, of Yellow Leaf, passed through our community Sunday evening en route home from the singing in the Kingdom.

A. J. Roper and family attended divine services at McGowin's school house Sunday.

We learn there will be singing at Center Institute next Sunday. Several of our boy's contemplate going.

We especially ask you to remember that Fourmile church meets Sunday to organize a Sunday school. Do not fail to attended this organization. We suggest that you organize a singing choir also.

Well, as local items are scarce, I will say no more.

Edge.

In Memoriam.

Jno. S. Archer, the father of C. S. Archer, at the residence of his grand daughter, Mrs. J. W. Blackerby, departed this life April the 1st. He was born in Abbeville District, South Carolina, the year 1814, September 6th, moved to Shelby county in December 1859. He professed faith in Christ in 1848, and joined the Methodist church, began preaching in 1849, making his preaching 48 years; he was 83 years, 6 months and 26 days old. He leaves two daughters and one son and a brother 81 years old to mourn his death. But God in his wisdom sees fit to take him to his reward prepared for him. He was a man that lived right and wanted everybody else to do the same.

He never spoke a word from the time he was stricken with paralysis, four days without eating or drinking, with his son and grandchildren and friends around him till his death. They all thank the good people of Beeswax for their kindness all the time, and trust God will bless them.

His remains was interred at Union church on Yellow Leaf, Saturday April the 2nd. Thanking all for their kindness, written by the request of C. S. Archer.

A Friend

Found.

On the streets of Columbiana, a gold breast pin, which the owner can have by calling at this office, describing property, and paying for this advertisement.

Saginaw Dots.

Joe Smitherman went to Helena Sunday dear hunting and missed his dinner. You can guess the rest.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Fulton, Sr., of Maylene, visited their son Thos. near this place Wednesday.

The musical intertainment at the residence of J. F Wells Saturday night with the organ, violin, accordian and harp was splendid.

Mr. Parrish, a fruit agent, was in this community last week.

Messrs. Chas. McLane and E. L. Fulton, Jr., who have been attending circuit court, returned home Friday.

Rosh Kimble, of Waxahatchie, visited relatives in the community Saturday and Sunday.

A. J. Johnson, of Siluria, was in town Friday.

J. E. Morris, of the Saginaw Lumber Company, transacted business in Birmsngham Monday.

Dr. A. W. Horton returned from the Medical college at Mobile Monday. We presume he will take up a practice of medicine in this neighborhood.

William Richards, of Siluria, was in the city Monday.

Will Walker visited friends and relatives at Shelby Sunday and Monday.

There will be Easter services at Elliottsville Sunday night.

Ed. Harkins, of Bessemer, visited relatives and his best girl in this community Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Messrs John Casy, our friendly little night operator at Longview, and Paul Arnold, were guests of the Misses Smitherman at this place Thursday night Now, boys, don't stop after getting the girls to like you.

There were about seventy witnesses summoned in the Jasper Nabors case.

L. B. Riddle, of Fourmile, attended preaching at Camp Branch Sunday.

John Brown, colored, who was feeding the edger at this mill, got his leg broken with a piece of lumber by the machine.

Richard Hale, of Fourmile, visited his father's family in this community Sunday.

One of our boys surely must have been very successful dear hunting Sunday. He did not realize how long he had been trailing until he was informed that his mule had gone. I guess it was another April fool. How about it Clay?

Miss Annie Clisby is progressing very nicely with her school here. The citizens of this little town ought to be very thankful to have their children under such a thorough instructor as she is. She will an intertainment at the close of her school.

The intertainment given at Mr. J. T. Smitherman's Saturday night turned out to be an April fool. How about it Prof. Ed?

Proditor.

Sawmill Talk.

Health not very good.

Little Myrtle Kytle has been very sick for several days.

Clem Butler made a business trip to Birmingham a few days ago.

E. Speer Kytle returned home Saturday, after a pleasant visit to his brother at Helena.

Our sawmills are running regular and turning out lots of first-class lumber.

We learn that C. W. Spearman and W. B. Crumpton are constant visitors to Mr. Perry's.

Some of our young people contemplate going to the Kingdom Sunday.

Spring has opened, and our farmers are exceedingly happy, and our intergetic young men and benevalent young ladies can visit the flowery gardens of this earth, and gather the dogwood blossoms and the honeysuckle and other little vegetations. Now, this is where we have the advantage of the city young people, and our young ladies are as sweet as any flower that has ever grown in the woods or in the rich girls yard.

Now, I want to know something about these tramps that are tramping our public roads. We can't leave home for them, and before we retire at night we have to nail up our doors and sometimes we are unfortunate enough to get our fingers mashed, and then we feel like cussing or discussing. They are a clever kind of fellows. Sam tells me that he has known them to lean over and kiss a man after they had robbed him. What think you "Sager."

Black Jim.

Lewis Blows.

Mrs. Mollie Williams is very ill at this writing. We wish her an early recovery.

W. H. Farr visited relatives on Yellow Leaf Sunday.

Marion Hataway, accompanied by his two charming daughters, visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday. Come again, you have a hearty welcome

L. B. Riddle transacted business over near Saginaw Saturday, and returned Sunday. Beanfort will take charge of his school near Saginaw the first Monday in July. We wish him success in his undertaking.

Mrs. Ed. Russel, who has been visiting relatives in Talladega county for several weeks, returned home Sunday.

Wilson Jones, of near Vincent, was the guest of Miss Nancy Crumpton Sunday.

Several of our boy's attended the singing at Union Sunday.

G. W. Riddle attended divine services at Center Hill Sunday.

Miss Alice Hadaway is spending a few days with her sister on Yellow Leaf.

H. E. Watters was the guest of Miss Alma Jackson Sunday, p m. Look out Willie, you had better come and see about it, as you will be no longer the "pebble of the beech."

The singing at E. H. Farr's Saturday night was enjoyed by all who attended.

E. B. Lyon was the escort of Miss Dasie Perry Saturday night.

A nice rain fell here Monday.

Dock Strickland, of this place, visited relatives in your city Saturday and Sunday.

A. J. Roper and family attended church at McGowin's school house.

Hurrah for Deans and the correspondents of the Advocate.

Sager.

Beeswax Dots.

Health good at present.

A fine rain fell last week, which was much needed.

The singing at C. W. Archer's Saturday night was a success, for such a small crowd.

Prof. Lee Hill went to Columbiana Saturday.

D. M. Smith transacted business in Wilsonville one day last week.

John Lyon and lady, of Fourmile, visited relatives here Saturday night and Sunday.

E. B. Teague, Jr., of Fourmile, was here Saturday night.

J. L., of Fourmile, was seen near Chappel Sunday. Dear hunting, I suppose.

Coleman Farr and Robert Harkins visited near the river Saturday night. How about it boy's.

Calvin Archer spent Sunday on Yellow Leaf.

W. B. Bagwell spent Sunday night with C. S. Archer on his way to court as a juror.

Caughey Farr attended the singing in Kingdom Sunday evening, and reports a fine time.

Amos Daniel, of Wilsonville, passed through here one day last week.

Dr. Boyer, of Wilsonville, was in our community last week.

J. B. Pitts and wife, and Miss Hattie Thomas, of near Wilsonville, passed through here Sunday.

Tom Mooney and wife spent Sunday on Yellow Leaf with relatives.

Died—At the residence of his grand-daughter, Mrs. J. W. Blackerby, April 1st, Jno. S. Archer. He was 83 years old; he was buried on Yellow Leaf Saturday. He was a good man, and gone to reap the reward prepared him. May his children and grand-children and his friends strive to meet him.

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Longview.

Mrs. A. B. Payne, postmistress at this place, has resigned her office. She contemplates moving to Montevallo.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Leonard have arrived home from Tuscaloosa, where Mr. Leonard has been employed on the M. & O. extension. The work is nearing completion so Mr. Leonard states.

Mrs. John Ozley returned to Calera after spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Lindsey.

Robt. Scott, who has had charge of Mrs. A A. Payne's business, is making preparations to leave. He will visit his father at Falkville.

N. E. L.

WAR WITH SPAIN

Seems to be Almost a Certainty,

UP AND AT EM. DOD DROT EM. LET'S WIPE THE INSOLENT CURS OFF THE EARTH.

But for the fact that we have so many bargains to offer that our store will be crowded and jammed for the next 30 days, we would be ready to join a company and leave for Cuba at once. This is no fairy tale. Run your eyes over the following prices. It will do your soul good, and make you feel ten years younger. Remember for 30 days only these extraordinary prices hold good.

PRICE LIST.

Men's fur hats, worth $1.00, at	$ 65	Men's white dress shirts, worth 75, at	50
Men's fur hats, worth 1.25, at	95	Men's white dress shirts, worth 1.00, at	75
Men's fur hats, worth 2.00, at	1.25	Men's fancy bosom shirts, worth 1.00, at	87
Men's fur hats, Diamond Brand, worth $2.75, at	2.00	Men's all wool underwear suits, worth $2.50, at	1.50
Men's fur hats, Diamond Brand, worth $3.50, at	2.50	Men's all wool underwear suits, worth $3.50, at	2.99
Men's fur hats, worth 50, at	35		
Men's fur hats, worth 75, at	55		

DRY GOODS.

Cashmere dress goods, worth 35 cents per yard, at	20
Henrietta dress goods, worth 35 cents per yard, at	20
Brilliantine dress goods, worth 65 cents per yard, at	45
Mohair dress goods, worth 65 cents per yard, at	45
Dundee Percale, worth 12½ cents per yard, at	9
Dress Ginghams, worth 8 cents per yard, at	5½
Good soft finish bleaching, at 4 cents per yard.	
Fruit of the Loom bleaching, at 8½ cents per yard.	
Heavy shirting domestic, at 4½ cents per yard.	
9 oz wool doeskin Jeans, at 25 cents per yard.	
School boy Jeans, at 15 cents per yard.	
Good heavy cotton Jeans, at 10 cents per yard.	
10 by 4 Pepperell sheeting, bleached and unbleached, at 18¾ cts per yard.	
Ladies' corsets, worth 75 cents, at	50c.
Ladies' corsets, worth 60 cents, at	40c.
Men's heavy overshirts, worth 50 cents, at 35 cents.	
Men's heavy overshirts, worth 75 cents, at 50 cents.	

All other Dry Goods and Notions will be closed out at very low prices.

In addition to the above we shall offer magnificent bargains in SHOES. When we say bargains, we mean all that the word implies.

Don't fail to drop in and see our splendid line. If the crowd is too dense in front come around to the back door, and we will try to pull you in somehow.

Full line of GROCERIES as cheap as the cheapest.

A call at our store will convince you we mean business.

Yours for Bargains, and to whip Spain,

J. H. PAGE & SON,
Columbiana, Ala.

NEW MILLINERY.

The public are cordially invited to call and see our lovely Millinery Goods which have been selected with care and an eye to please every one. Our prices are reasonable and we are sure you have only to see our goods to buy them. We will have them on exhibition by the 9th.

Here also you can buy the Standard Sewing Machine, which is one of the best on the market. Also New Home, Singer and Davis machine needles.

Laura C. Armstrong & Co.

WATCH THIS SPACE NEXT WEEK FOR BARGAINS.

TO OUR FRIENDS.

Having bought out J. E. Seale & Co., in the drug business, we take this method of informing our friends that we propose to continue the business at the old stand.

All accounts due J. E. Seale & Co., will be paid to us, and all claims against said firm will be presented to us for payment.

WILLIAMS BROTHERS,
Columbiana, Ala.

Persons wishing to make the voice clear for some special occasion of singing, should use ordinary troches of muriate of ammonium, purchasable at any drug store.

Increase of fat is the only sure wrinkle remover. The increased deposit of fat beneath the skin presses out the wrinkles beneath. Otherwise wrinkles are irremovable.

When a fractured ankle begins to swell after having received apparently curative treatment, soak the foot in hot water every night and rub it thoroughly. A silk elastic anklet is a great protection to the joint.

"We've got to economize," said Mr. Gargoyle to his wife. "Very well, dear," replied the good woman, cheerfully. "You shave yourself and I'll cut your hair."—Harlem Life.

She—Did you see that bird of paradise on Mrs. Styles' hat at the theater last night? He—That wasn't what the fellow who sat behind her called it.—Yonkers Statesman.

Mrs. Passay—Everybody says my daughter got her beauty from me. What do you say to that? Mr. Witts—Well, I think it was very unkind of her to take it from you.—Up to Date.

A Nonsensical Notion.

Some folks actually believe that they can cure skin diseases through their stomachs. It's absurd on its face—absurd on the face of the man who believes, too, because his disease stays right there. Stays there till he uses Tetterine. It's the only safe and certain cure for Tetter, Ringworm, Eczema and other itchy irritations. Good for dandruff, too. At drug stores, 50 cents, or by mail from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

The syndicate operating the street railways in Mexico are introducing electricity as a motive power. The company owns 140 miles of road.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Frozen meats will be exported from Punta Arenas, in the Strait of Magellan, to Europe, and 20,000 mutton carcasses will be the trial shipment.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY. }

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

More men have died and are buried in the Isthmus of Panama, along the line of the proposed canal, than on any equal amount of territory in the world.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

French Guiana is said to have the most violent thunder storms in the world. The thunder is almost deafening, and the peals come in quick succession.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

A hotel keeper in a Brussels hotel was obliged the other day to buy 80 pairs of shoes for his guests. The porter had decamped with that number placed in his charge.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Robert Morris' bank of North America, founded at Philadelphia at the end of the year 1781, was the first banking institution founded on the American continent.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.
Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

A mule patrols the beach at St. Augustine, Fla., in quest of turtles. When she has found one she turns it on its back and then ambles off to inform her master.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free DR. R.H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa

An old Roman tub well has been discovered at Silchester. It is in a comparatively perfect state of preservation, though nearly 200 years have elapsed since it was made.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

It is estimated that greater quantities of gold and silver have been sunk in the sea than are now in circulation in the world.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reducing inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

DYSPEPSIA, INDIGESTION and all Stomach troubles cured by Taber's Pepsin Compound. Sample bottle mailed free. Write Dr. Taber Mfg. Co., Savannah, Ga.

A new toy for the children is a bowling alley, in which the pins are set at one end of a long wooden gallery, with a spring gun to propel the balls against the pins.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

The well-known orientalist, Prof. Ahlwardt, has at last completed his task of cataloguing and describing all the Arabic manuscripts in the Berlin library, a task to which he has devoted twenty-four years.

Lyon & Co's Pick Leaf Extra Smoking Tobacco without a rival. For pipe or hand made cigarettes beats the world. Try it.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has no equal as a Cough medicine.—F. M. ABBOTT, 383 Seneca St., Buffalo, N. Y., May 9, 1894.

Spring Medicine

A Good Blood Purifier a Necessity Now

Hood's Sarsaparilla Unequalled for Making Rich, Red Blood

The necessity for taking a good Spring Medicine to purify the blood and build up the system is based upon natural and unavoidable causes. In cold weather there has been less perspiration and impurities have not passed out of the system as they should. Food has consisted largely of rich, fatty substances, and there has been less opportunity for outdoor exercise. The result is, the blood is loaded with impurities and these must be promptly expelled or health will be endangered. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best Spring Medicine because it is the best blood purifier and tonic. It thoroughly purifies the blood and gives vigor and vitality.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is America's Greatest Medicine. $1; six for $5.

Hood's Pills are the favorite cathartic. All druggists. 25 cts

25 CTS. PISO'S CURE FOR CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists. CONSUMPTION 25 CTS.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate—Wednesday.

Again today were the galleries of the senate crowded to the doors.

Mr. Frye reported from the committee on foreign relations the senate resolution: "That the president be requested, if not incompatible with the public interest, to transmit to the senate all of the consular correspondence relating to the conudct of the war in the island of Cuba, the condition of the people, and other matters relating thereto."

Mr. Hawley, of the military affairs committee, reported a joint resolution providing that, in any case of emergency in which the immediate erection of any fort or fortification is, in the opinion of the secretary of war, deemed necessary and urgent, where the legislature of the state is not in session, so much of the existing law as prohibits the erection of such fortifications until the consent of the legislature has been obtained, shall be suspended so as to authorize the construction of such temporary fort on the written consent of the land. It went over.

The entire day was consumed considering various Cuban resolutions.

The House.

A wild and uproarious scene occurred in the house of representatives today when Mr. Bailey, the democratic leader, attempted to force the hand of the republicans upon a proposition to overrule the speaker and pass a resolution recognizing the independence of the Cuban republic. He was cheered on by the crowded galleries, but the members of the majority refused to support him. Many of them sympathized with the purpose of the resolution. Mr. Hull, chairman of the military committee, going so far as to indorse the proposition, under the impression that it provided for a declaration of war, but most of the radicals who yesterday were in favor of any sort of revolutionary methods had been won over to the policy of sticking to to the party organization, and refused to do anything until the initiative came from their side. They were rallied by two of the leading advocates of armed intervention, and the speaker himself from the chair made a direct appeal to his party associates to stand firm, at the same time intimating if their impatience was curbed a little longer they would have the opportunity they coveted. When the vote was taken only two republicans, Messrs. Atcheson and Robbins, of Pennsylvania: broke from the party lines. About a dozen more sat silent in their seats and refused to vote. The scheme throughout was most dramatic, and the members and spectators in the galleries were wrought up to a high pitch of excitement. The vote on sustaining the speaker's ruling that the resolution was out of order was 180 ayes and 149 noes. Mr. Bailey's resolution which occasioned such story scenes is as follows:

"Resolved, by the senate and house of representatives, That the heroic struggle of the Cuban people against the force of arms and the horrors of famine has shown them worthy to be free; and

"Second, The United States hereby recognizes the republic of Cuba as a free and independent state."

The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the naval appropriation bill. Without reaching provisions relating to increase in the navy, the house adjourned.

The Senate—Thursday.

The request made in the senate today by Mr. Frye, on behalf of the foreign relations committee, that the resolution calling upon the president for the Cuban consular reports lie upon the table until such time as the committee desired to take it up, unexpectedly precipitated a discussion on the Cuban question. Upon the conclusion of the Cuban discussion the sundry civil appropriation bill was taken up, and forty pages of it were disposed of. The measure was then laid aside, and Mr. Hawley presented in amended form the joint resolution offered by Mr. Bacon concerning the erection of temporary fortifications. It is as follows: "That in case of emergency, when, in the opinion of the president, the immediate erection of any temporary fort or fortification is deemed important or urgent, such temporary fort or fortification may be constructed upon written consent of the owner of the land upon which such work is to be placed, and the requirements of section 355 of the Revised Statutes shall not be applicable in such cases." The resolution was passed and the senate adjourned.

The House.

For three hours today the packed galleries and excited members of the house listened to a passionate outburst of oratory on the Cuban question, during which the intensity was alternately manifested by cheers, jeers, and hisses. Time and time again the excited throngs in the galleries were admonished to be silent. At one time, at least, it seemed as if a motion would be made to clear them. The three speeches that stirred the assemblage to its depths were made by Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio, who, it was assumed, spoke for the administration, and who practically pledged it to the cause of free Cuba: Mr. Bailey of Texas, the democratic leader, who announced the democratic position as for Cuba without war, if it could be avoided, but with war if necessary; and Mr. Johnson of Indiana, who spoke for peace, declaring that it was our duty to go to the extreme in magnanimity to avoid the horrors of war. Little progress was made on the naval appropriation bill. The only important amendment was one appropriating $100,000 for the erection of new buildings at the Naval Academy.

The Senate—Friday.

The senate spent almost the entire day in the discussion of the resolution reported yesterday from the senate committee on foreign relations for the acquisition of the West India islands owned by Denmark to be used for a coaling station, and the session was closed by the practical withdrawal of the resolution by Senator Lodge, its author. He stated that the debate had developed such a wide difference of opinion in the senate, where there had hithertofore been such unanimity, that he would not further press the matter at a time when the president needed the support of all senators of all parties.

The House.

In an exceedingly turbulent session of six hours the house today passed the naval appropriation bill and then adjourned until Monday. The war spirit was manifested in all the speeches and overrode the naval committee itself by increasing the number of torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers to twenty-four, the bill as providing but twelve and increasing the appropriation to $4,300,000 instead of $2,300,000. The amendment of Mr. Cannon, to reduce the number of battleships to one was buried under an overwhelming majority. The provision relating to armor plate which, in ordinary times would have precipitated a debate of several days, was disposed of in ten minutes, a proposition to decrease the price agreed to in the bill from $400 to $300 per ton being drowned in a perfect chorus of "noes." Mr. Underwood, democrat of Alabama, offered an amendment appropriating $4,000,000 for the establishment of a government armor plate factory. The amendment was ruled out on a point of order. The house at 6 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

The Iceland Pony.

While there are camels in the desert, llamas in Peru, reindeer in Lapland, dogs in Greenland, and caiques among the Eskimos, Iceland will have its ponies, which on those "Pampas of the North" will still perform the services done by the mustangs of the plains of Mexico, the horses of the Tartars, Gauchos, and even more than is performed by any animal throughout the world. Without the ponies, Iceland would be impossible to live in, and when the last expires, the Icelanders have two alternatives—either to emigrate en masse or to construct a system of highways for bicycles, an undertaking compared to which all undertaken by the Romans and the Incas of Peru in the same sphere would be as nothing.

No Icelander will walk a step if he can help it; when he dismounts he waddles like an alligator on land, a Texan cowboy or a Gaucho left "afoot," or like the Medes whom Plutarch represents as tottering on their toes when they dismounted from their saddles and essayed to walk. Ponies are carts, are sledges, carriages, trains, in short are locomotion and the only means of transport; bales of salt fish, packages of goods, timber projecting yards above their heads and trailing on the ground behind, like Indian lodge poles, they convey across the rocky lava tracks. The farmer and his wife, his children, servants, the priest, the doctor, "Sysselman," all ride, cross rivers on the ponies' backs, plunge through the snow, slide on the icy "Jokull" paths, and when the lonely dweller of some upland dale expires, his pony bears his body in its coffin tied to its back to the next consecrated ground.—Saturday Review.

Canine Tramps.

The street dogs of Constantinople are a feature of that city. They go about unowned and uncared for, and acquire a wonderful knack of looking after themselves.

The instinct which enables these poor tramps to tell the time is the most astonishing thing about them. Day after day, at regular hours, when the scraps are thrown out, they are never much too early and never too late. The superintendent of one of the great railway lines ending in Constantinople records a most remarkable case. The Oriental express, the famous train from Paris to Constantinople, arrives, it seems, three times a week at a certain hour in the afternoon. When the train comes in there are always several dogs ready to receive it. Before the passengers have had time to get out the dogs jump into the carriage and search everywhere, under the seats and in the corners for the scraps of luncheon left by the passengers, and when they have found all the pieces they go away. The remarkable thing is that they never come at any time except when the Oriental express is due; that they never make a mistake in a day, and always remember that between Friday and Monday there are two days and not one. They pay no attention to local trains, because little or no food is left in them, owing to the short journeys the passengers take. Exactly this same knowledge of the time table and of the difference between local and long-distance trains has been noticed at the stations of the Asiatic railways in Scutari, across the Bosphorus.—London Mail.

Marble Ponds of Persia.

That beautiful transparent stone called Trabiz marble, much used in the burial places of Persia, and in their grandest edifices, consists of petrified water of ponds in certain parts of the country. This petrifaction may be traced from its commencement to its termination; in one part the water is clear, in a second it appears thicker and stagnant, in a third quite black, and in its last stage it is white like frost. When the operation is complete a stone thrown on its surface makes no impression, and one may walk over it without wetting one's shoes. The substance thus produced is brittle and transparent, and sometimes richly striped with red.

Fatal Collision on the W. & A.

Two heavy freight trains on the Western & Atlantic road collided near Adairsville, Ga. Engineer E. S. Elliott was instantly killed and Engineer John McDade was fatally injured. The two locomotives were completely demolished and a score of cars were smashed into kindling wood. Several brakemen were also injured.

Ohio to Prepare.

A bill has been introduced in the Ohio legislature to appropriate $1,000,000 to put Ohio on a war footing.

Wheeler for Belligerency.

Mr. Wheeler, of Alabama, introduced the following joint resolution in the house of representatives Wednesday: "Resolved, That the government of the United States hereby declares that the struggling patriots in the island of Cuba are belligerents, and are recognized as such by the government."

Up-to-Date Jokes and Witticisms From the Comic Papers.

TWO OF A KIND.

"Say, what's your business?"
"I'm a burglar; what's yours?"
"Shake; I'm in the same line."
"Well, come on—let's take something."

HIS LIMITATIONS.

First Banker—What a breezy fellow your clerk is.

Second Banker—Yes; but he's not esponsible for any of the drafts.

ECLIPSED BY THE NAVY.

"You hold an official position in the service of the Government, I believe?"

"Yes, but I'm a mere nobody."

"A mere nobody? How so?"

"I'm with the War Department."

BACK FENCE AMENITIES.

"Doesn't that daughter of yours play everything she hears?"

"If she does, it is better than telling everything she hears, and anybody the shoe fits can put it in their pipe and smoke it."

THE RESEMBLANCE.

Kate—"Why did you name your dog after Charley? Is there any special resemblance?"

Pearl—"Oh, yes. Papa wants to kick him every time he sees him."

ALL FOR CHARITY.

Mannikin Meek—My dear, you forgot to mend that rip in my coat this afternoon.

Mrs. Meek—No, John; I didn't forget. But my whole afternoon was taken up at the Lenten sewing-circle.

STRAIGHT ON.

"Woman," the orator shouted, "once her feet are on the path of progress, will go straight on."

And the unvocalized words of the thought-wave that ran through the vast assembly were:

"Will her hat?"

THE COST OF A CIGAR.

"What did you think of that cigar I gave you yesterday?"

"Not much. It cost me $4."

"How so?"

"Why, it gave my wife the idea that the gas was leaking somewhere, and she sent for a plumber."

TOO SOON TO TELL.

Gargoyle (back in town after a year's absence)—When I went away, Jones and Brown were rival suitors for Miss Twitter's hand. Which proved to be the lucky man?

Glanders—Can't tell that yet. She married Brown only a month ago. Ask me again in about a year.

NOT SO CLOSE.

"When this town was organized," said the early settler of the little Western town, "I was elected Mayor by a majority of only one vote."

"Pretty close shave," said the newcomer.

"Oh, tollable. But there was only five votes in the town, then."

SHE NEEDS SYMPATHY.

She—Harry, you said something last evening that made me feel so bad!

He—What was it, dearest?

She—You said I was one of the sweetest girls in all the world.

He—And aren't you, darling?

She—You said "one of the sweetest." Oh, Harry, to think I should live to know that I have to share your love with another!

PAPA WRIGGLES OUT.

Little Eddie—Is it proper to call a battle ship a man-of-war?

Papa—Yes.

Little Eddie—Is the Texas a man-of-war?

Papa—Of course.

Little Eddie—Then why did you say "she and the Maine were sister ships?"

Papa (after deep study)—You mustn't ask such questions when ladies are present.

HIS AWFUL MISTAKE.

"Will I love you forever?" echoed the youth, in passionate accents. "Maud McGinnis, I swear by this fair head"——

She raised it from his shoulder.

Slowly and with superb grace she rose and confronted him.

"Harold Higgins," she said, in tones that froze his heart, "whose was the last head that rested there?"

He had forgotten that Miss McGinnis was now a brunette.

RIGHT GIRL—WRONG SHOP.

Restaurant Proprietor (sorrowfully)—It pains me very much to tell you that your services are no longer required after to-night, Miss Peech.

Miss Peech—But, sir, you advertised for a handsome waitress, and I'm sure——

Restaurant Proprietor—That's right; but you are too handsome; all my male patrons are lovesick over you and ain't eatin' anything. Seek a place where the boarders pay by the week; you'll get a percentage there of what you save the house.

STRIKING EVIDENCE.

At a Dublin county court recently I was very much interested in the following case:

Judge—Who is it that brings the allegation against the prisoner at the bar?

X 99—Plaze, yur worshup, O'im the allegator.

Judge—What's the charge?

X 99—Well, plaze yur wurshup, Oi was on my bate as usual whin Oi saw a man with a box creating a disturbance in the road. "Wha are ye doing there?" says Oi. "Oi'm going to lave that box here," says he. "Shure, ye can't lave it there," says Oi. "Well, Oi've left it there," says he. "Come out of that," says Oi. "Oi'm not in it," says he. "It's ag'inst the law," says Oi. "You're a liar," says he, "its ag'inst the window." With that Oi struck him and missed him. Thin Oi hit him agin in the same place, but he hits me a blow on the nose wid his fist, and says. "A friend in need is a friend indeed."

Club of Colored Britishers.

Colored Britons have formed a club in London. They come from Demerara, Trinidad, the Gold Coast, Sierra Leone, and most of them are medicinal or law students.

Women and the Wheel.

From the Gazette, Delaware, Ohio.

The healthfulness of bicycle riding for women is still a disputed question between eminent physicians and health reformers.

Used in moderation it surely creates for women a means of out-door exercise, the benefit of which all physicians concede. Used to excess, like any other pastime, its effect is likely to be dangerous.

The experience of Miss Bertha Reed, the seventeen-year-old daughter of Mr. J. R. Reed, 335 Lake St., Delaware, Ohio, may point a moral for parents who, like Mr. and Mrs. Reed, have experienced some concern for their daughters who are fond of wheeling. In the fall of '96 Miss Bertha who had ridden a great deal, began to fail in an alarming manner. She grew steadily paler and thinner, and it appeared she was going into consumption. Rest and quiet did her absolutely no good. A physician found her pulse at 104—a very high rate. Thinking this may have been due to temporary nervousness when he examined her, he watched her closely, but her pulse continued at that rate for two weeks. He was satisfied then, from her high pulse and steadily wasting condition that she was suffering from anæmia or a bloodless condition of the body. She became extremely weak, and could not stand the least noise or excitement. In this condition of affairs they were recommended by an old friend to get some of that famous blood medicine Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. They did so, and almost from the first dose Bertha began to improve. She continued to take the pills and was by means of those pills made entirely well, and more grateful people than her parents cannot be found in the whole State of Ohio.

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Judge Pannier was born in Chippewa Falls and is a product of the public schools, which he attended until he was graduated from the high school in 1892.

JOHN E. PANNIER.

He then spent a year or more making the best of his time and opportunities in studying in the law office of Colonel L. J. Rusk, after which he went to Madison, where he entered the law course and was graduated with honors in 1895. Shortly after he began the practice of his profession. At the time of the spring election he secured the nomination and was elected to the office of County Judge.

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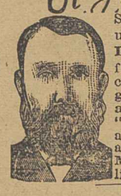

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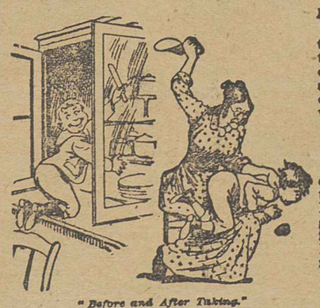

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POWERS ASK FOR PEACE.

Representatives of Six Foreign Nations Appeal to the President.

EXPRESS HOPE FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS

Both Notes Were Mild—McKinley Makes Pointed Reply and Hoped the Powers Would Appreciate Our Efforts to Emancipate People of Cuba.

WASHINGTON (Special).—The representatives of the six powers of Europe seeking to avert war between Spain and the United States, called on President McKinley at noon Thursday. The governments of Great Britain, France, Germany, Austria, Russia and Italy were represented. Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, was the first to arrive, followed by Ambassador Von Hollenben, of Germany. Within a few minutes all the ambassadors had been ushered into the blue room, and President McKinley immediately left his office and went down to meet them. Sir Julian Pauncefote, as representative of the powers, presented the following:

"The undersigned representatives of Germany, Austria-Hungary, France, Great Britain, Italy and Russia, duly authorized in that behalf, address in the name of their respective governments, a pressing appeal to the feelings of humanity and moderation of the President and of the American people in their existing differences with Spain. They earnestly hope that further negotiations will lead to an agreement which, while securing the maintenance of peace, will afford all necessary guarantees for the re-establishment of order in Cuba. The powers do not doubt that the humanitarian and purely disinterested character of this representation will be fully recognized and appreciated by the American nation."

President McKinley replied as follows:

"The government of the United States recognizes the good will which has prompted the friendly communication of the representatives of Germany, Austria-Hungary, France, Great Britain, Italy and Russia as set forth in the address of your excellencies, and shares the hope therein expressed that the outcome of the situation in Cuba may be the maintenance of peace between the United States and Spain, by affording the necessary guarantee for the re-establishment of order in the island, so terminating the chronic condition of disturbance there which so deeply injures the interests and menaces the tranquility of the American nation and the consequences of the struggle thus kept up at our doors, besides shocking its sentiment of humanity. The government of the United States appreciates the humanitarian and disinterested character of the communication now made on behalf of the powers named, and for its part is confident that equal appreciation will be shown for its own earnest and unselfish endeavors to fulfill a duty to humanity by ending a situation the indefinite prolongation of which has become insufferable."

The call of the representatives of the powers on the president was quite brief, and was evidently by appointment, for they were at once shown into the diplomatic room of the state department, where they were joined by Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretary Day, with whom they were closeted behind closed doors.

Simply an Act of Friendship.

The British ambassador said in reference to the note signed by him with the other powers, submitted Thursday to the president, should not be misconstrued so far as England was concerned. It meant, he said, simply an act of friendship and to indicate to the United States that his government was willing to render any service within its power, should this government indicate as much.

Germany to Send a Ship.

A dispatch from Berlin says: In view of the probable outbreak of hostilities, the German Admiralty, which at present has not a single ship in West Indian waters, is considering the advisability of sending at least one cruiser for the protection of the political and commercial interests of German y there.

M'KINLEY'S REPLY

Cabled to European Capitals—It Created a Favorable Impression.

An inquiry at the several embassies and legations at Washington shows that the reply of President McKinley to the Powers has created a most favorable impression among the ambassadors and ministers. It was cabled immediately to London, Paris and all other European capitals. The declaration of the president that in the interest of humanity this warfare must stop, and his indirect appeal to exert their influence in the name of humanity, found a sympathetic reflection in the sentiments of all the abassadors and other representatives.

A Death Blow.

George Stout, of Philadelphia, who was knocked out by Oscar Gardiner, the Omaha middleweight, in a hot fight at Columbus, O., died from the effects of the blow. It was in the twelfth round that the fatal jolt was delivered, Stout falling heavily and never regaining consciousness.

Weary of the Fight.

The York Cotton mill strikers at Saco, Me., have voted unanimously to return to work next Monday. About 1,000 hands are involved in the strike.

LEE MAY SUPPLY MISSING LINK

From Havana Harbor to Fix Responsibility on Spain.

Representative Lorrimer, of Illinois, is authority for the statement that General Lee will make some startling disclosures before the senate committee on foreign relations when he arrives in Washington regarding the conspiracy to blow up the Maine. General Lee will be called before the committee, but the nature of the testimony expected from him has not been disclosed.

"I understand that General Lee is to supply the missing link in the testimony," said he. "My information is that Captain Sigsbee is in possession of the facts, but does not feel at liberty to give them until the person who gave them to him releases him from the secrecy imposed. That person I understand is General Lee."

It is said that the information General Lee is expected to testify to relates to the extinguishment of the electric lights in Havana at the instant of the blowing up of the Maine. Electrical experts have said that if the lights went out in Havana at the time of the explosion, it would be conclusive evidence that the mine under the Maine must have been fired from a shore electrical connection.

Captain Sigsbee, before the foreign relations committee, said he had information that the lights had gone out, but did not think it advisable to give the name of his informant while he was in Cuba. His informant is said to be General Lee.

DASH AT HAVANA,

Instead of a Mere Naval Demonstration, Favored by Naval Officers.

Even after congressional action the administration will make one more effort for peace, wires the correspondent of the Atlanta Journal. The plan of the president and the cabinet is to afford one last opportunity for Spain to evacuate Cuba without loss of life. This plan contemplates a naval demonstration toward Havana. The Key West fleet under Commodore Sampson is to make a threatening move upon Havana. Its purpose is to convince Spain that force is to be applied to put an end to her war against the Cubans. Its further object is to give the Spanish government an opportunity, if it desires to do so, to yield to the demands of the United States under pressure of superior force. If the occasion is not seized by Spain, the bombardment of Havana is to follow.

It is only frank to say that this plan is not viewed favorably by naval officers. They are dubious of the demonstration achieving its peaceful object. They think it would be an awful waste of valuable time. The navy strategists want to make a dash at Havana. They want to disable the harbor batteries and drive the volunteers back into the country, where they will be attacked by the insurgents. After settling with the guns of Morro Castle the navy strategists desire to go for the Spanish battleships Vizcaya and Oquendo, now at Porto Rico.

These ships are the most formidable members of the Spanish fleet now in West Indian waters. The object of the strategists in destroying these two vessels is two-fold. It is desired to prevent their escaping northward to unprotected portions of the coast and also to keep them from joining the westward-bound Spanish fleet and acting as a convoy for the torpedo flotilla.

U. S. ARMY ENGINEERS

Sent to Mobile, Pensacola and Galveston to Stock the Harbors With Mines.

A detachment of twenty-one men of the engineering corps of the United States army have been stationed at Mobile, Pensacola and Galveston. This detachment is from Willett's Point, on Long Island, eighteen miles from New York, and have been sent to these cities by the government to place mines in the harbors, and otherwise assisting in the various fortifications and defenses that are being erected at these points.

A government training school is located at Willett's Point, where all kinds of engineering work is taught. For some time past special attention has been given to the instruction of placing mines. The men are taught to do all the actual work of anchoring and taking out mines, while the officers make the electrical attachment which connect with the shore, and this detachment is being sent to the gulf cities especially for this kind of work.

In Favor of Carmack.

The contested congressional election case of Patterson against Carmack in the Tenth Tennessee district was reported to the house Friday, house election committee No. 1 recommending the seating of Carmack and declaring against ex-Representative Patterson's contest. The committee corrects the vote to make a majority of 590 for Carmack.

Schofield McKinley's Adviser.

President McKinley has issued orders making Gen. Schofield his military adviser, the same position held by Gen. Halleck in the civil war as the adviser to President Lincoln.

Ward Line Steamers Withdrawn.

R. A. C. Smith, of the Ward Line steamship company, returned to New York from Washington and stated that all the Ward Line steamers have been withdrawn from service. None of their steamers will go into Cuban ports again until the Spanish-Cuban situation has been settled.

"Thou Shalt Not Steal."

Rev. Dr. S. C. Swallow, of Harrisburg, Pa., has accepted the independent nomination for governor on the platform "Thou shalt not steal."

GEN. LEE HAS LEFT HAVANA

Departure Was Greeted by Hisses and Jeers from the Spanish Populace.

HAVANA STIRRED BY IMPENDING CALAMITY.

General Lee Goes Direct to Washington and Will Arrive at the Capital Tuesday, When He Will Appear Before Congress and the President.

"Tell the Olivette to get under way at once, Captain Cowles; signal the Bache that the United States fleet is ready to clear out of Havana, and please follow the Bache out."

These were the words of Consul-General Lee at 5:15 Saturday afternoon on board the Fern. It was evident to all that General Lee intended to be the last to leave, and there was a murmur of applause. The Evelyn had already passed Moro Castle when the Olivette weighed anchor. The Bache was close behind, and the Fern was the last of the line. The wharves and boats on both sides of the narrow entrance of the harbor were crowded with Spaniards, who hissed and jeered as each boat passed out. Passing the wreck of the Maine, each man doffed his hat in salute to the brave dead, while silence fell on all for the space of several minutes. General Lee being on board the Fern, made that boat a target for redoubled hisses, groans, cat-calls and whistles from the crowd on shore.

Havana seemed dazed when the people found that General Lee was really going, and that all the Americans were going with him. Not to see the United States flag floating from the staff struck many residents as little little less than a calamity.

The fact that Mr. Gollan, the British consul, called with General Lee on Captain-General Blanco also puzzled many, some believing this meant an English alliance had been settled. The truth is that the Havana newspapers have been under such close surveillance for months, have been made to publish so many untruths, and have printed so many tales of the United States backing down at the demand of Germany, Italy, Austria and Russia, that the residents take no stock whatever in anything published. Consequently when they saw the Americans leaving, despite the statements of the papers that they had no intention of going, the people believed a crisis at hand.

All arrived at Key West Sunday in a state of wreck. Everybody was sick. After brief reception, General Lee went on board the Olivette, which had been kept waiting, and sailed for Tampa at noon. He will go direct to Washington. Nineteen refugees were landed from the Bache and one hundred from the Evelyn.

SUBSTANTIAL SYMPATHY.

Eng ish Companies Will Pay Employes While Fighting for Uncle Sam.

The Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance company representatives at New Orleans have received a cablegram from the home office in England instructing them to permit any of the employes who may desire, to join the United States troops in the event of war, and to assure such employes that their salaries will be continued by the company during their service. It is stated that similar cablegrams have been sent to all offices of the Liverpool and London and Globe in the United States. The information is hailed as evidence of the strong feeling of sympathy prevailing in England with the United States in the present controversy with Spain.

ADMINISTRATION FIRM.

War Can Only be Averted by a Back by Spain.

There is no longer any doubt as to the purposes of this government with respect to the situation in Cuba. War, in the opinion of the administration, is inevitable except in the unlooked-for event of a surrender on the part of Spain.

The president's message, which he had intended to send to congress Wednesday, has not b een changed in any particular and embodies the unanimous views of the cabinet without the slightest variance or exception. Any movement to avert war now must come from Madrid and must concede American demands, including all end to Spain's domination in Cuba.

TO MOBILIZE MEN.

General Graham Looking for an Available Point.

General William M. Graham, commander of the department of the gulf, located at Atlanta, has visited two localities adjacent with a view of recommending the best available place for a mobilization point. He held a conference with Mayor Collier and other prominent citizens of Atlanta looking to the question of water supply. Gen. Graham says he now has his data in such shape that he will wire his recommendation to Washington immediately.

Sixty-four Cadets Expelled.

The board of visitors of the South Carolina Military Academy at Charleston, have expelled sixty-four cadets who participated in a rebellion which took place ot the academy a few days since. They refused to obey orders and rioted around the building all night.

A Call for Men.

Governor Tunnel, of Delaware, has issued a proclamation calling upon the able-bodied men of the state to send in their names for enlistment in the national volunteer reserves.

SPAIN GRANTS AN ARMISTICE.

Looked Upon as a Ruse to Gain Time. Has No Effect on the Message.

An Associated Press dispatch from Washington Sunday night says: The Spanish government, through its minister at Washington, Senor Bernabe, tonight delivered an important official document to the state department stating that the armistice which the queen regent of Spain had commanded General Blanco to proclaim Sunday night was without conditions, that her majesty's government had granted the liberal institutions to the island of Cuba which the coming Cuban parliament would develop; recalling the condolence and sympathy expressed by the queen regent and her government on the disaster of the Maine and the horror this disaster had occasioned in Spanish hearts, and appealing to the courtesy and sense of justice of the United states government to enlighten public opinion upon the attitude of Spain. The note also repeats the offer of the Spanish government to submit the Maine question to experts designated by the maritime powers of the world.

Although the Spanish note was surrounded with the usual secrecy of official negotiations, the following summary of its contents was secured:

"First. Her majesty, the queen regent of Spain, desirious of ending the troubles which are desolating Cuba, has commanded a suspension of hostilities. Gen. Blanco has been ordered to proclaim today an armistice without conditions. He will determine later the duration and details of this armistice, so as to carry out the generous intentions of her majesty and the wishes of the friends of peace.

"Second. Her majesty's government has granted to the island of Cuba instructions as liberal as those enjoyed by Canada under the British flag. The Cuban chambers will meet on the fourth of next May. It will be their duty and privilege to put into practice and develop these institutions. In addition to this Cuba is represented in the parliament at Madrid.

Third. Public opinion in this country appears to ignore the fact that the loss of the Maine was immediately followed by official and reiterated expressions of condolence from her majesty's, the queen's, government, from her charge d'affairs in Washington, and from the authorities in Havana; all of which tended to affirm the horrors which this disaster has caused to arise in Spanish hearts, as also the sympathy felt for the United States government and navy, and for the American nation.

"The Spanish minister feels confident that he can count upon the courtesy and sense of justice of the United States government to enlighten public opinion upon this subject.

"Fourth. As to the cause of this lamentable disaster, it resolves itself into a question of facts which can only be settled by martial proofs. The Spanish minister reiterates the assurance that his government is ready to submit the question to experts designated by the maratime powers, whose conclusions are in advance accepted."

A cabinet meeting was held after the note was presented to the president. It is said that the note will not alter the president's message on the situation.

THE CUBAN BONDS.

Guerrera Says Only $100,000 Worth Have Been Sold.

Deputy Treasurer Benjamin Guerrera of the Cuban republic was before the senate committee on foreign relations Friday. He said that only about $100,000 of Cuban bonds had been sold, and that the bonds were not on the market at all for general sale. The bonds brought about 40 cents on the dollar. He said the expenses of the war were paid by private subscriptions and by the returns from the taxation of the property in the portion of the island controlled by the insurgents. Not less than $400,000, he said, had been collected by taxation. The insurgent army generally secured its supplies from the country, and all the soldiers, both officers and men, were serving without compensation.

Mr. Guerrera was asked about the Spanish-Cuban bonds issued against the revenues of the island. He replied that he did not know their amount, which report placed as $400,000,000, but that they were the accumulation of year's of deficit. Many of them had, he said, been issued to pay the cost of putting down the rebellion in Cuba.

Reception Will be Given Lee.

The Confederate veterans will give Gen. Lee a great ovation on his arrival in Washington. Gen. Fleming, president of the association, has telegraphed Lee that he will be given the greatest reception ever given to any man in that city. In the opinion of many, it will be the launching of Gen. Lee's presidential boom. He is to be given a state dinner at the White House about next Thursday evening.

Regulars Concentrating at Chickamauga

Two thousand four hundred United States regulars, stationed in Arizona and Northwest Texas, are en route to Chickamauga Park, near Chattanooga.

Margaret Mather Dead.

Margaret Mather, the actress, played her last domestic scene in the fourth act of Cymbeline in Charlestown, W. Va., last week. She collapsed and was carried off the stage in an unconscious condition and never regained consciousness.

Gold Shipped from Cuba.

Gold is being shipped from Cuba to New York. Already $600,000 has been received and $400,000 more was engaged for shipment. This gold is shipped from Havana because war is imminent.

DESPITE THE WAR SCARE

Business Continues to Show Activity All Along the Line.

STATE OF BUSINESS NOT EASY TO JUDGE.

Wheat Outgo Continues and the Exports of Cotton is Considered Extraordinary—Iron and Steel Industry Shows Demand Greater Than Ever.

R. G. Dun & Co's weekly review of trade says:

When everybody is asking whether it is to be war or peace, the state of business is not easy to judge. Since nobody can judge just how wise bankers may be in an emergency, there is some uncertainty, but thus far scarcely any stoppage whatever of manufacturing concerns appears nor any indications that the producing force is likely to be diminished, nor is any such symptoms to be seen in business reports. Evidence of existing conditions is not confusing or favorable. So far banking conservatism has not caused failures, which continue smaller than for many years, nor has it caused stoppage of any manufacturing concerns, nor lessened the volume of business reported by railroads in tonnage or clearings at the principal points.

The wheat outgo counts for much, and continues, Atlantic exports having been 2,241,217 for the week, against 1,521,122 last year, and corn exports were 3,483,650 bushels, against 3,323,287 last year. The price rose steadily and closed 2 cents higher for wheat, with corn 1 cent higher.

The exports of cotton are extraordinary, though just now deferred by the caution which causes larger shipments to New York, instead of outside from gulf ports. For four weeks it has averaged nearly $2,500,000 per week, lower than in 1895, from the largest crop ever grown, in spite of many reports of decreased production. In such conditions heavy industrial demands for a great force of operatives have been effective. The truth is that every industry meets enormous overproduction compared with corresponding demands in any other year, however prosperous, and yet nearly all are keeping almost their whole force employed and some are increasing their force. In one branch of woolen manufactures, two carpet mills have stopped, others are about to stop, as it is between seasons, but much complaint of cancellation causes lower prices. Sales of the week are insignificant, and prices have declined two cents for finer grades and over one cent in the average for all qualities.

In the iron and steel industry, with demands greater than ever before from general sources, urgent orders from the government enlarge work, but do not advance prices. Disasters in trade shown this week by separate branches of the business for the month of March and for the first quarter of 1898 make the best report that has been possible for five years. It is interesting to note that nearly all branches of business show surprising movement. Meanwhile banks are extremely cautious and commercial loans are but 10 per cent of their aggregate. The belief that quick expansion in all branches would follow greater liberality and patriotism by the banks is not wholly unfounded, and the heavy receipts of gold from Europe counts for little compared with the greater or less liability in loans by banks.

CLEARED FOR ACTION.

The Flying Squadron is Complete and Only Awaiting the Word.

The flying squadron at Fort Monroe is ready for action and complete in all details except the possible addition of a dispatch boat and a hospital boat. The battleship Texas has arrived which practically complete the squadron. "The Texas," said Captain Philips to the Associated Press representative, "is ready for sea at an hour's notice and ready to fight and, all rumors to the contrary, I believe she will show herself to be the worthiest ship in the ocean." The improvement to the tarrets of the Texas allows her 12-inch guns to be fired once in every three minutes instead of formerly only once in every eight minutes. All of the ships are practically cleared for action.

WILL NOT BACK DOWN.

Spain Refuses to Proceed Further in the Play for Peace.

A special dispatch from Madrid says that the ambassadors of France, Germany, Russia and Italy waited upon Senor Gullon, foreign minister, Thursday and presented a joint note in the interests of peace. Senor Gullon replying, declared, according to the dispatch, that the members of the Spanish cabinet were unanimous in considering that Spain had reached the limit of international policy in the direction of conceding the demands and allowing the pretensions of the United States.

NO MORE CODE TELEGRAMS

At Havana Unless They Are Translated to the Censor.

Latest reports from Havana say that everything is quiet, and the state of waiting, expectancy and doubt continues as it has for a week or more. According to outward appearances there is absolutely no change in the usual routine of life in a happy tropical city.

From Friday on, all code telegrams from or to Cuba must be translated at the censor's office with the code books in sight.

POLITICAL PROGRESS.

THE MOVEMENT IN FAVOR OF DIRECT LEGISLATION.

The Populist States Lead—Rapid Advances Made Toward Public Ownership of Franchises and Public Utilities—State Railroads and Income Taxes.

E. D. Durand, in Annal's American Academy, summarizes recent political and municipal legislation, showing that the People's party has already been instrumental in inaugurating important local reforms. The movement in favor of direct legislation by the people, which has manifested itself of late years in the increased practice of referring specific subjects of state or local legislation to popular vote, and in the increasing agitation for a general use of the initiative and referendum, has at last culminated in some of our western states. South Dakota goes furthest by proposing a constitutional amendment, to be voted upon in November next, declaring that "the people reserve to themselves the right to propose measures, which measures the legislature shall enact and submit to a vote of the electors of the state, and also the right to require that any laws which the legislature may have enacted shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of the state before going into effect, * * * provided that not more than five percentum of the qualified electors of the state shall be required to invoke either the initiative or the referendum."

The sister state of Nebraska has meanwhile enacted a law, to take immediate effect, introducing the same principle for all local subdivisions—counties, townships, cities, villages and school districts—but not for the state government itself. A petition of 15 per cent of the voters is necessary to initiate measures, or to demand the reference of proposed measures to the people. The question must then be submitted to a vote at the next general election, but if the petition be signed by 20 per cent of the electors and contain a request for a more immediate vote, a special election must be held. The local legislative body may suggest amendments to measures proposed by popular initiative. In such case the original and modified propositions must both be placed on the ballot. Unless a majority declares itself against both forms, the form receiving the most affirmative votes becomes law.

The recent and growing popular agitation concerning the management of municipal property, works and privileges is beginning to bear fruit in legislation. A large proportion of our states now allow cities and towns themselves to construct and operate lighting as well as water plants. Washington last year went further and authorized the establishment of municipal street railways. Especially is there a tendency to regulate the granting of franchises to private individuals and companies. The chief advances are in limiting the duration of such grants, in demanding some commensurate payment for them, and in making them subject to popular control. The provisions of the new charter of New York is an instance in this regard. Far more radical is a Kansas law of 1897, which, however, applies only to light, heat, power and water plants. This act requires the grantees of franchises to report in minute detail the exact cost of constructing their plant, and semi-annually thereafter the exact receipts and expenditures of every sort. A profit of 6 per cent per annum is to be allowed on the actual investment shown by these statements, and the entire surplus of receipts is to go to the public treasury, unless a higher allowance be made to the holders of the franchise by consent of three-fifths of the taxpayers. No grant may be for more than twenty years, and after ten years the municipality may buy the plant at an appraised valuation. This law imposes terms even more severe than those regulating public franchises in any European city.

Several other states have adopted the practice of requiring franchises of all sorts to be disposed of upon competitive bids. While this system may prevent jobbery, in part, experience shows that it does not ordinarily win for the public a reasonable payment for privileges granted. Real competition is seldom possible, especially in the case of renewals or additional grants after one corporation has become thoroughly established. California, adopting this practice in 1897, prescribes further that the minimum payment to the municipal treasury for any kind of public franchise shall be three per cent of the gross receipts. No payment whatever is to be made, however, during the first five years of the grant. Wisconsin has passed a somewhat similar law, whose adoption is left to local option. The municipality is to fix such conditions as it sees fit as specifications in advertising for bids. Annual reports of gross receipts must be made by grantees of franchises, whether percentages upon them are demanded or not. The terms of franchises may not be altered without consent of the holders. Regarding light and water plants, it is further enacted by another law that any proposed franchise may be submitted to popular vote and must be so submitted if 20 per cent of the voters petition. Minnesota prohibits all perpetual franchises, and provides that, if privileges are made exclusive, they must be limited to ten years and approved by popular vote. This latter provision signifies little, since evidently a large proportion of such grants, though not exclusive formally, are so practically.

Arkansas has established an ex-officio board to construct and operate one or more state railways. Wishing to avoid the experience of Tennessee which earlier burdened itself with a heavy debt by building railways, Arkansas provides that the road shall be paid for by donations of money and land from local authorities, and by the issue of bonds secured solely by the road itself, and not binding the state as such.

Inheritance taxes continue to grow in favor, and direct inheritances are coming more and more to fall under levy, although at a lower rate than collateral inheritance. Montana and Minnesota last year established the tax on both kinds of inheritance, while Connecticut and Pennsylvania, which already had the collateral tax, have extended it to direct inheritances also, the former at one-half of one per cent on all property above $10,000, the latter at two per cent on all above $5,000. A law introducing a strongly progressive rate into the existing collateral inheritance tax was adopted by the New York legislature, but was vetoed by the governor. North Carolina and South Carolina have both adopted progressive income taxes, perhaps the most radical tax legislation yet passed among our commonwealths. The former state levies five per cent on income from property not otherwise taxed, one-half of one per cent on income from salaries and fees; and from one-fourth of one per cent to two per cent on all other incomes according to their amount, the highest rate applying to all incomes over $20,000 yearly. The South Carolina law proposes to tax incomes from whatever source at a rate graduated from one per cent on those between $2,500 and $5,000 to three per cent on those above $15,000. It is to be feared that the imperfect tax machinery of these southern states will fail to give a fair test of the working of the progressive income tax.

PROSPERITY NOTES.

After more than two months' hard fighting, the Globe shipyard strike at Cleveland, Ohio, has been declared off and the men compelled to acknowledge a defeat, which may mean the total disintegration of their local union. The Globe yards are owned by Senator Mark Hanna.

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The employes of Seyfert's rolling mill at Gibraltar, Pa., have been informed of a reduction in their wages—the puddlers from $2.40 to $2.25 per ton and the men in the plate mill about 10 per cent all around.

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The appeal of the New Bedford, Mass., textile workers, now on strike, sets forth that 400 families, comprising 2,000 men, women and children, are slowly starving to death, and that unless aid is forthcoming within a short time the strike will have to be abandoned.

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All the street car lines in Saginaw, Mich., were tied up Friday. The ninety conductors and motormen went on strike. The men demand regular hours and pay for overtime. They have been working fourteen to sixteen hours daily.

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Arthur Hamlin, a grandson of Hannibal Hamlin, vice-president of the United States when Lincoln was president, was arrested in this city on Monday last and charged with vagrancy. Hunger drove him to desperation, so he went into a restaurant, and after eating a hearty meal, left without paying. The proprietor of the place made the charge. The "culprit's" defense was that he was without either money or friends, had not eaten for days, and could not obtain employment, which he had earnestly sought for a long time. Judge Conlan, very properly, dismissed him, but, probably ironically, commanded him to "secure a situation." Can the judge secure it for him? Hundreds come into our office every week looking for that very thing, and we can say—because we know—that even most highly educated and refined men are grateful if they can secure a "place," even as "common laborer," which, in most cases, is impossible, for the "market" is glutted. —San Francisco Star.

The Old Guard.

A health unto the Old Guard, boys,
A health to the Old Guard;
Who dared to march in the ranks of Truth.
In times when the way was hard;
Who boldly stood for the people's cause,
And made that cause their own,
In days before it had won applause,
In days when they stood alone.

A health unto the Old Guard, boys,
A health to the Old Guard;
Who gave of their time and life and means,
With hope of no reward;
Who battled long 'gainst Mammon's might,
Like veterans true and tried;
Who dared to fight for the love of right,
Though they fought on the losing side.

A health unto the Old Guard, boys,
A health to the Old Guard,
We little know how much we owe
To these warriors, battle-scarred,
But when the fight is won at last,
The world will place each name
Away up high, for the Future's eye,
On the deathless roll of Fame.

—J. A. EDGERTON.

Jefferson the Visionary.

Every man and woman who has brain of a superior quality is a visionary. It is only the dull, senseless clod who has no visions of a higher fed humanity; of an international brotherhood wherein there shall be no soldiers and few policemen; of a holier church, better judges and better laws. These were some of the visions of Jefferson. —M. M. Trumbull.

THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE.

JOHN W. PITTS, - - - EDITOR.

Entered in the post-office at Columbiana Ala., as second class matter.

NOTICE.

The partnership heretofore existing between J. W. Pitts and Frank Norris has been dissolved, and the partnership effects will be placed in the hands of a receiver for settlement. All accounts due The Advocate to November 1, 1897, are the property of the undersigned, to whom all payments must be made. I will continue the publication of The Advocate.

JOHN W. PITTS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 23rd of April, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

The Advocate is authorized to announce G. B. Deans as a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23rd, 1898.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 23rd of April, 1888.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 23rd of April, 1898.

We are authorized to announce John H. Leonard as a candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court of Shelby County, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23rd, 1898.

The friends of T. A. Huston announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held, April 23, 1898.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23, 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE.—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for reelection to the office of Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 23rd of April, 1898.

MR. EDITOR:—Please announce W. C. Powers as a candidate for Commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties.

MANY FRIENDS.

We are authorized to announce John W. Spradley, Jr., as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth district, subject to the cooperation of the Republican and People's party.

Primary Election Notice.

By authority of the county executive committee a primary election will be held at the various voting places in Shelby County on Saturday, April 23, 1898, for the purpose of electing candidates for Representative, Probate Judge, Circuit Clerk, County Superintendent of Education, and Commissioners from the 2nd and 4th commissioner's districts.

At the same time the Populists of each beat will elect three executive committeemen to serve two years.

The Populist executive committee of each beat will act as managers of the election and send up the certified returns to the county executive committee, which will meet at the court house at 12 m., on Monday, April 25, for the purpose of counting the vote and declaring the result.

JNO. W. PITTS, Chairman.
J. F. MCGRAW, Secretary.

A Card.

WILSONVILLE, ALA., April 14, 1898.

MR. EDITOR:

Some of my friends in the last issue of The Advocate announced my candidacy for the office of superintendent of education. I certainly appreciate their kind intentions and shall gratefully remember them. Now, a number of our people, especially in my home beat, insist they prefer that the race be made for the office of circuit clerk. After a careful consideration of all the surroundings, I have decided, even though at the "eleventh hour," to ask you please change the announcement as it now stands, to that of circuit clerk, which change, it is hoped, will meet the approval of those who made the first announcement.

Very respectfully,

T. A. HUSTON.

The Alabama State Sabbath Association.

The next meeting will be held in Birmingham May 13th and will be opened with an address by Rev. J. W. Shoaff, D. D., of Selma, on The Perpetuity of the Obligations of the Sabbath, the Manner in which it is Desecrated and the Importance of its Observance. On the 14th, besides the transaction of the business connected with the association, Dr. L. F. Whitten will deliver an address on The Sabbath and Railroads; Rev. W. B. Witherspoon on The Sabbath and the Saloon; Rev. D. C. Lilly on The Divine Obligations of the Sabbath, and Prof. A. T. Clarke on The Secular Sunday Newspaper. Each county in the State is expected to have a mass meeting Sunday night, May 8th, and discuss various phases of the Sunday question, organize the county and appoint delegates to the State convention in Birmingham. The work of county organization has made decided progress lately, especially since Dr. Thomson's visit to the State. The State Sabbath Association is auxiliary to the American Sabbath Union, and J. W. Hathaway, of New York, the general secretary of the union, will be present in Birmingham and take part in its deliberations. A final meeting will be held on Sunday night, May 15th, over which he is to preside. May the Lord of the Sabbath direct all the plans and efforts of the association to the better observance of His holy day throughout the State.

E. P. DAVIS.

In another column will be found a card from Mr. T. A. Huston which explains itself. It is due to Mr. Huston to say that the editor of The Advocate called upon him soon after the announcement was sent in and asked him if it was by his consent. His reply was that some of his friends had solicited him to run for the office of county superintendent of education, but that he had not fully given his consent; that he was really not a candidate for any office, but his friends insisted on his announcing. He preferred if he announced at all to announce for clerk, for two reasons: First, he preferred that office; and second, he understood the office of superintendent of education had been conceded to the Republicans, and they had made a nomination for that office. The paper was ready to go to press when the announcement was brought in to us, and before we could see Mr. Huston it was in type and the paper was being worked off. But for that we would not have published the announcement for superintendent after conferring with Mr. Huston. Mr. Huston is a true reformer and well qualified to fill either office, and The Advocate regrets that few over zealous friends should have placed him in such an awkward position before the people.

In another column will be found the announcement of J. W. Spradley, Jr., for commissioner from the fourth district. Mr. Spradley is one of Shelby's best farmers, and is in every way competent to fill the office to which he aspires. In politics he is a Republican and will, we suppose, be subject to the action of that party.

We are under obligations to our neighbor, The Chronicle, for assistance in getting out our paper this week.

Our readers will please pardon the delay in getting out the Advocate this week. We will try and be on time hereafter.

Helena.

The virtuous and intelligent of Beat 6 met, after a struggle, Saturday last and appointed, or otherwise agreed upon, delegates to their county convention.

I noticed among the number only 5 taxpayers and 3 or 4 nontaxpayers—all white, and I suppose virtuous and wise. Some wear good clothes, but don't pay tax, nor work for their living.

We hope on the 23rd to make a good showing at Helena. We are strictly for Longshore and Leonard to start with in Beat 6. The little virtuous and wise crowd of this beat are straining every point, and I guess it's so in every beat.

Now it is my opinion, and it is the opinion of all Populists of this beat, that A. P. Longshore is the strongest man in the county, and for circuit clerk, Leonard is the strong man. Let us make no mistake, but nominate good and qualified men, and the race is run, the victory ours.

POPULIST.

Are You Weak?

Weakness manifests itself in the loss of ambition and aching bones. The blood is watery; the tissues are wasting—the door is being opened for disease. A bottle of Browns' Iron Bitters taken in time will restore your strength, soothe your nerves, make your blood rich and red. Do you more good than an expensive special course of medicine. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., April 7th, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the judge of the probate court, at Columbiana, Ala., on May 19th, 1898, viz: Patrick H. O'Neil, Homestead entry No. 26,914, for the NE ¼ of NW ¼, Sec. 34, Tp. 31 south of R 4 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz:

James G. Harris, of Montevallo, Ala.; Phillip H. Harris, of Gurnee, Ala.; Andrew J. Goggins, of Gurnee, Ala.; John H. Harris, of Gurnee, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Commissioner's Sale.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, judge of probate for Shelby County, Ala., I, D. C. Davis, as commissioner in said decree named and appointed, will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on the premises near Fourmile church, on Satuaday, the 30th day of April, 1898, during the legal hours of sale, the following described property, viz:

The SW¼ and the S½ of S½ of NW¼, all in Sec. 26, Tp. 20, range 1 east, containing 200 acres, more or less, which said property is held and owned jointly by Mary T. Taylor and her husband, J. N. Taylor, who own six and two-third shares in said property, John Jones who owns one share and Mariah Searight and Emiline Sanders, each of whom owns one-sixth of one share or interest; said sale is to be made for the purpose of making an equitable division between the said joint owners.

D. C. DAVIS, Commissioner.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of one fi. fa. issued from the chancery court of Shelby County, Sixth district northeastern chancery division, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the courthouse, in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 21st day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described property, to-wit:

The east half of the northeast quarter, section 34, township 21, range 3 west. Also one dwelling house and lot in the town of Montevallo, said house is now occupied by H. R. Wells, formerly known as the Tom Wells house; bounded on the south by the Sam Allen lot fronting street running from foot bridge to Southern railroad. All in Shelby County, Ala.

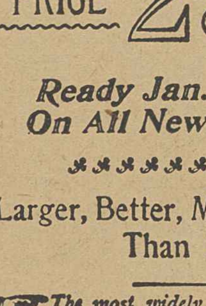
Levied upon as the property of H. R. Wells to satisfy said fi. fa. in my hands in favor of the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited.

This 14th day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

The above sale has been postponed until April 25, 1898.

The World Almanac and Encyclopedia For 1898



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SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Condensed Schedule in Effect January 16, 1898.

No. *20	STATIONS	No. *19
3.25pm	lv ..Selma ..ar	11 28am
5.11pm	...Montevallo..	9.25am
7.5.pm	ar. Brm'ham. lv	6.45am

No. †25	No. §28	STATIONS	No. †25	No. §27
4.20am	5.45am	lv .Akron...ar	6.45pm	6.45pm
5.5 am	6.4.am	..Greensboro..	5.25pm	5.37pm
7.25am	7.29am	...Marion.....	3.30pm	4.20pm
8.30am	8.30am	...Marion Jct..	2.35pm	3.4 pm
9.5 am	9.50am	ar ..Selma...lv	1.50pm	3.00pm

No. *20	No. *16	STATIONS	No. *15	No. *19
....	7.25pm	lv New O'l's ar	8.30am	....
....	5.30am	lv..Meridian..ar	9.50pm	....
....	6.25am	....York..	8.40pm	....
....	7.32am	.Demopolis...	7.45pm	....
....	8.13am	ar..Uniont'n.lv	7.04pm	....
....	8.?6am	..Marion Jct..	6.11pm	....
....	9.28am	ar Selma lv	5.43pm	....
3.25pm	9.35am	lv Selma ar	5.35pm	11.28am
5.11pm	11.26am	..Montevallo	3.39pm	9.25am
....	11.44am	....Calera....	3.?7pm	....
....	12.01pm	Columbiana..	3.06pm	....
....	12.32pm	.Childersburg.	2.37pm	....
....	1.2?pm	.Talladega..	2.03pm	....
....	2.03pm	..Oxford..	1.25pm	....
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STATIONS	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome	....	4.45pm
Lv Knoxville	8.25am	9.50pm
Ar Morristown	9.50am	10.55pm
Ar Hot Springs	11.46am	12.23am
Ar Asheville	1.15pm	1.39am
Ar Salisbury	6.40pm	6.00am
Ar Greensboro	9.52pm	8.50am
Ar Raleigh	7 10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk	....	5.25pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

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STATIONS	No. 9
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Ar Cincinnati	7.20am
Ar Louisville	7.27am

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STATIONS	No. 38	No. 36
Lv Atlanta	12.00pm	11.50pm
Ar Charlotte	8.20pm	9.00am
Ar Danville	12.00am	1.30pm
Ar Lynchburg	1.58am	3.55pm
Ar Charlottesville	3.30am	5.45pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar Baltimore	8.00am	11.25pm
Ar Philadelphia	10.15am	2.53am
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

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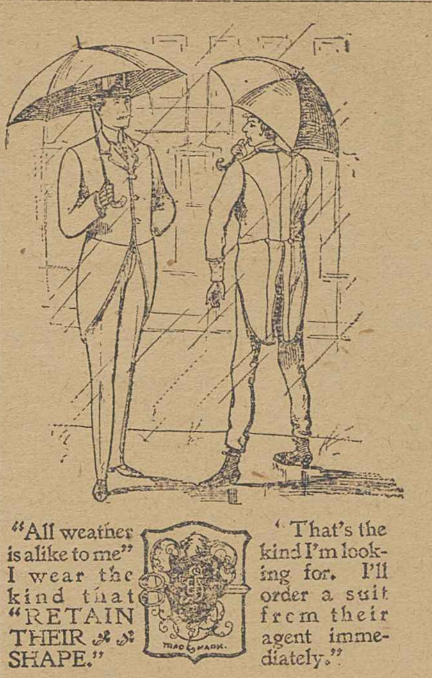

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Dr. Lovett spent Easter in Bessemer.

E. W. Bell, of Meridian, Miss., was in the city this week.

W. W. McGowen, of Wilsonville, was in the city Monday.

Easter hats and dresses were very much in evidence Sunday.

Rev. J. L. Ferguson, of Birmingham, was in town this week.

Misses Alice Porter and Alice Anchors left for Blocton Saturday.

Miss Bama Chandler, of Vincent, is visiting the family of J. R. Beavers.

Mrs. J. W. Pitts is visiting relatives and friends at Woodlawn this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James McGowen, of Nelsons Switch, spent Sunday in town.

Quite a number of young men came up from Shelby Sunday on their bicycles.

We are glad to see Mr. J. E. Bird on the streets again after his severe illness.

Mrs. J. S. Pitts and G. C. Pitts, of Vincent, visited relatives in the city last week.

Frank and Jim Robertson, of Wilsonville, spent Sunday with their father's family here.

The Advocate had a pleasant call from Mr. E. S. Kytle, of Jackson's Mill, last Thursday.

Miss Kate Huyett, who has been teaching a music class at Siluria, returned home last Monday.

H. C. DuBose went down to Selma Friday and back Monday, taking in the Endeavor Convention.

Mrs. L. C. Armstrong and Mrs. W. S. DuBose are each suffering from a severe attack of la grippe.

Quite a party from Shelby attended the Christian Endeavor Convention at Selma, returning Monday.

An Easter and communion service was held at the Methodist church Sunday, Rev. S. N. Burns preaching a splendid sermon.

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Charlie King and William Henry Perry were convicted of burglary and sentenced to fifteen months imprisonment in the penitentiary.

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E. B. Nelson, who has the finest pear orchard in this section, showed us yesterday a twig from one of his trees, about 18 inches long, on which were 60 pears, the size of bird eggs.

Thirty-five years make a generation. That is how long Adolph Fisher, of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. J. E. Seale & Co.

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Here we go to the quilting. I will give away one 10lb caddy of tobacco, either Red Apple or Schnapps, also 20lbs of Arbuckle's Roasted Coffee. Come in and see about it.

J. H. HAMMOND.

Circuit court adjourned for the term late Saturday evening. Most of the week was consumed in the trial of the Rice and Nabors cases. The Rice case was taken up Tuesday morning and submitted to the jury Wednesday night. The jury was out till Saturday evening when, failing to agree, a mistrial was ordered and the jury discharged. It is said the jury stood 7 for conviction and 5 for acquittal.

The Nabors case was taken up Thursday morning and was given to the jury at noon Saturday. At 4.30 p. m. a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree was returned and the defendant sentenced to the penitentiary for twenty-five years. It is understood that the case will be appealed to the supreme court.

One of the happiest marriages that has occurred in this community was solemnized on last Tuesday morning at 10 a. m., at the residence of Rev. Mr. Liles, on Main street. In the presence of a few near friends Mr. Ed. Liles led to the hymenial altar Mrs. Sarah Duvall Liles, Rev. Mr. Burns officiating. The ceremony was a poem of grace, solemnity and impressiveness, delivered in the happiest manner conceivable. The bride wore a tan and lavender silk, with hat to match, elegantly trimmed with pansies and white lilacs. She is a most lovable character, possessing every requisite trait and grace, purity of heart and mind, beauty of face and form, and all that makes woman lovely and admirable. As Miss Sarah Duvall she was the belle of south Florida, her father being one of the wealthiest orange growers in that State.

It is with reluctance that we bid her adieu. Her bright face and happy smile will be missed in the best circles of Columbiana.

An Evening with Edison.

At the academy on the evening of Friday, April 15, at 8 p. m., Miss Susie McGehee will give one of her interesting entertainments. A short essay on Edison will be followed by an exhibition of his new invention, the gramophone, the wonderful talking machine. The following is the programme of productions from this new "talk talker:"

The Stars and Stripes Forever. (Sousa's latest.) Sousa's Band.
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Recitation—Free Silver Orator—George Graham.
Starlight Waltz—Sousa's Band.
Baritone solo—Nancy Brown—(Chorus of boys and girls.) Dan W. Quinn.
Kaiser March—Band Rossa.
Baritone solo—My Cold Black Lady—J. W. Meyers.
Happy Days in Dixie—Sousa's Band.
Comic song—Turkey in de Straw—Billy Golden, the famous comic singer.

The admission will be 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children, the proceeds to go to the Averett Memorial Scholarship in Judson Institute. An enjoyable evening may be expected by all who attend.

Council Meeting.

The newly elected mayor and council were duly installed Monday, and held their first meeting in the afternoon.

An election of officers was had, and the following were elected for the ensuing year:

City clerk—C. W. O'Hara.
Marshal—J. W. Hester.
Treasurer—J. W. Dykes.

The question of schools was discussed, and it was decided that with the proper efforts at collections the school could be continued to the end of the term, which runs to the 20th of May. The colored school will close on the 6th of May, and the principal will be paid $50 for his last month's services.

This new board will make every effort to control the city affairs with a judicious hand.

Attention, Wilsonville.

I will be in Wilsonville April 13, 14, 15, and 16th, fully prepared to do all kinds of dental operations. See my ad in this paper.

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Sawmill Talk.

Health very good.

J. S. Black was the guest of Miss Mattie Ray Sunday.

Some of our young people attended divine services at the Kingdom Sunday.

Rev. Ben Hughes preached an eloquent sermon Sunday at Center Hill.

C. Butler and E. S. Kytle paid Columbiana a visit last week.

J. W. Kytle has been on the sick list this week, but is improving.

Garrett Kytle was the guest of Miss Lela Adams Sunday.

We learn that a negro, who has been at work for Jesse Taylor, near Wilsonville, struck and killed another negro last Friday. We hope they will succeed in capturing him and that the penalty will be one of much severity.

"Young Joe," of Yellow Leaf, why don't you rise and speak; we miss your interesting articles since you have been absent. We have lost sight of the yellow pony.

W. W. Lowery, who has been night fireman for J. C. Jackson & Sons, has quit. We suppose he will resume the farm on the river.

Messrs. Dunaway and Collier are making the Dicson place look nice. They are hustlers, and we wish for them much success.

Say, Young Joe, one of our young men was missing last Sunday. We presume he was dear hunting.

Several of our young men attended the singing at the Kingdom, and after listening to an eloquent sermon by Bro. G. M. Lowery were invited to the grounds, where a pleasant time was spent. In the afternoon we had some nice singing by Prof. Black. All who were not present certainly missed something worth listening to.

BLACK JIM.

Saginaw Dots.

Sunday school was small here Sunday on account of Easter services at Elliottsville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Daviston, of Dogwood, spent several days here with relatives last week.

R. T. Horton, of Yellow Leaf, was in the city Monday.

Miss Ida Ferrell is visiting friends at East Saginaw.

John Hale, of Columbiana, visited relatives in this community Saturday night and Sunday.

Messrs. Coe and Lett were in this community Monday buying beef cattle.

H. O. Hale spent Thursday and Friday in Columbiana.

R. C. and Wesley Naish, of Campbranch, were in town Monday.

Rev. Van filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Our sheriff's grip was tested almost to the highest degree in the courthouse Friday. He didn't use the sledge hammer or anything else before elected sheriff. He will do to carry along.

Died, on the 10th inst., Miss Mattie Foust, daughter of Newton Foust. She had been sick several months. She leaves a father, mother, and several brothers and sisters, and a number of friends to mourn her death.

Success to The Advocate.

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Beeswax Dots.

Health not so very good.

Winter came again last week, and the frost bit the little corn and other things very bad.

J. W. Blackerby was on the sick list last week.

H. E. Archer and lady, of Yellow leaf passed one day last week.

Farmers are somewhat behind in this section. All for the best, considering so much frost. How about it D. S.

Our boys attend Sunday school at chapel every Sunday, and report a fine Sunday school. We hope they go for the good.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Huston visited Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Archer Saturday night. They report everything nicely out their way.

Remember the quarterly meeting Saturday, and come with a good report and a well filled basket, and all have a lovely time.

Our genial young friend, Will McEwin, of near Wilsonville, was seen here bright and early Tuesday morning.

We are glad to see the announcement of Hon. T. A. Huston for superintendent of education. He is as sure as elected now. Hurrah for him and Longshore and J. H. Leonard and all the rest. X X

Wilsonville Waifs.

Easter is a thing of the past, but it was a gala day in our little city for the children and young folks. The little people had their egg hunt at the residence of Dr. J. B. Boyer. They began to gather in at 2.30 o'clock from all directions, and at 3 o'clock the fun began, and at 4 o'clock all the eggs were found. For some time the wit and merry laughter of the youthful hunters made the scene quite interesting for all present. Master Claude Tinney came off as the champion egg hunter of the crowd. The young people report a glorious time at the egg hunt at Henry Weldon's. All had a good time generally. Miss Meta Bolin catured the prize, which was a large goose egg.

The cool spell and cut worms together have injured gardens very much.

The handsome new residence of E. Williamson will soon be completed, and we understand that he will move into it.

Our school is getting along very nicely. Pupils are progressing in their studies. Now, "Clario," when anything of an unpleasant nature occurs in our city, we think you do all an injustice to publish it in the paper. How much better to throw the mantle of charity over such, and endeavor to bring about peace; it would be more like our Heavenly Father to do so. Remember you too are not perfect in all things. Ever remember the Golden Rule.

Rev. A. E. Burns filled his regular appointments here Sunday morning and night.

Quarterly meeting for Wilsonville circuit will be held at Chapel church next Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Bessie Nimmo, after an extended visit to relatives in Oxmoor, has returned home.

Convenient Schedule to the East.

Parties contemplating a trip to the East should go via Southern Railway through Asheville and the "Land of the Sky." The service via this route is excellent and the schedule is as follows: Leave Selma 9.25 a. m.; leave Columbiana 12 01 noon; Arrive Rome 4.35 p. m.; arrive Chattanooga 7.20 p. m.; leave Chattanooga 10.00 p. m; arrive Knoxville 1.10 a. m.; arrive Hot Springs 4.00 a. m.; arrive Asheville 5.10 a. m.; arrive Salisbury 9.30 a. m.; arrive Lynchburg 3.51 p. m.; arrive Washington 6.35 p. m.; arrive Philadelphia 2.56 a m.; arrive New York 6.23 a. m. This is a solid train Chattanooga to Salisbury, carrying day coaches, baggage and express and elegant Pullman drawing room sleeping car through without change, connecting at Salisbury with United States Fast Mail train, carrying Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Salisbury to New York without change.

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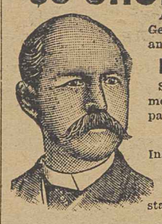

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" " 75 "	55	School boy jeans at			15
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Oscar Charlton Was in Actual Service for Fifty-one Years.

Apropos of the long service which some railroad men have seen, an interesting story is told of a man who is undoubtedly the oldest living conductor in the United States, if years establish a record. His name is Oscar Charlton, and he was connected with the Central railroad from 1837 to 1888, placing the number of years in actual service at fifty-one. Mr. Charlton now lives at Guyton, Ill. He says at the time of which he speaks the Central railroad had been built from Savannah, Ill., to Pooler, a distance of ten miles. The roadbed was of light and insecure construction, unfit for fast or regular service. The company imported two locomotives from Charleston, and they were placed on the narrow-gauge track. Mr. Charlton says that in comparison to the giant mogul of our day they strongly reminded him of a dog and an elephant. They were small, cabless affairs, known as the Tennessee and Georgia. Charlton was the conductor of the first train that traversed the road, and when the terminus was reached in an hour, the owner, Colonel W. W. Gordon, was dumfounded. "Ten miles an hour!" he exclaimed. "Wonderful! wonderful! wonderful!" The Central system, of which this was the beginning, now embraces many hundreds of miles.

Paris Cabs.

A citizen just returned from Paris describes a very ingenious device that has been adopted there for use in cabs. It is a register that indicates the exact distance automatically the cab travels on a trip, and at the end displays the amount of the legal fare for that distance, for the information of the passenger.

Bargains.

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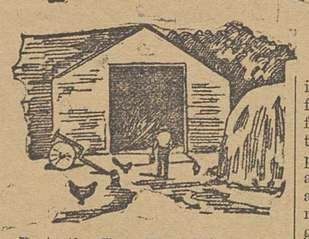

Protecting Trees From Mice.

Mice are liable to do much damage unless pretty close watch is kept. Wherever a mouse has been working set a trap and catch him when he comes again. A bit of toasted cheese will tempt him from apple bark every time. If the tree is badly girdled cut grafts from the limbs of the same trees and insert them in both the upper and lower portions of bark around the cut so that a union may be effected. Both will grow together next season.—American Cultivator.

Mineral Manures for Grape Vines.

Grape vines usually need very little manure other than mineral, and that chiefly potash. In European countries it is the habit of vineyardists to burn the prunings each year and apply the ashes. No other fertilizer is used. In fact, stable manures are objected to, as they make the vines grow rank, and the fruit will lack the flavor that belongs to fruits whose vines are only manured with the ashes. Much of the excellence of French wines is possibly due to this sparing use of manure.—Boston Cultivator.

Overdriving Draught Horses.

The draught horse never has so hard and sound a hoof as the horse used from colthood to rapid driving on the road. He not only needs to be kept shod when driven, but the greatest care should be taken that he never be overdriven. It is not in their lungs, but in their feet, that draught horses most often go wrong when used freely on the road. Their weight unfits them for rapid driving, as even if their feet were sound the extra weight with which each foot would come upon the ground means a jar not only to the foot, but to the entire system. But in most cases it is the feet that usually give out after hard driving on the road.

New Varieties of Potatoes,

In choosing varieties of potatoes for spring planting it is advisable to select those that have been recently produced from seed, provided, of course, that their quality and productiveness have been tested and are generally known. The variety that is newly produced from seed is generally more vigorous then than it is likely to be after a few years contest with the potato bugs, and the blight and rots which all help to decrease potato vigor and productiveness. But it is not advisable to plant potatoes, however good, which are very unlike standard sorts, and whose good qualities are not generally known. There is so much difference in potatoes that the mere fact that a potato is a potato is not enough with most consumers to secure a market for it until after they have given it a trial.

Potato Planting.

It is said that two ounces corrosive sublimate dissolved in one gallon of water in an earthen vessel of some kind and this turned into a tight barrel with fifteen gallons of water will make a preparation that will destroy the germs that produce the scab on the potato. If the seed potatoes are put in sacks and one sack full at a time be dipped in this diluted solution until the potatoes are entirely covered and allowed to remain one and one-half hours, the germs will be destroyed. The potatoes should be then removed, drained and spread out to dry, and when thoroughly dried they will be ready to cut and plant at any time. As the solution is very poisonous it should be kept in earthen or wooden vessels, as it will quickly corrode iron, steel or tin. The amount named will be sufficient to treat from five to eight barrels.

Growing Cauliflower.

Considerable effort has been put forward by some writers to make it appear that the successful growing of cauliflower was a difficult operation, but as a matter of fact any soil that will grow good cabbages will grow good cauliflower. If early crops are wanted the seed must be sown in February and transplanted into shallow flats as soon as the second leaf shows; the soil in the flat should be rich. Air, water and keep at the same temperature as for young cabbages. Plant in the open ground as early as possible, not later than the middle of April, if it can be avoided. The soil should be rich and deep, using a handful of fine bonemeal mixed with the soil about each plant as it is set. Cultivate carefully each week. Hot weather injures the crop greatly, so to be successful with it one should grow only for an early and a late crop, avoiding the mid-season crop. For the late crop the treatment is about the same as for late cabbages. The main points to be observed in the culture of cauliflower is to have the soil rich and to keep it well cultivated during the season of growth.

How to Prune Fruit Trees.

It is a lamentable fact that not one man in a hundred, fruitgrowers included, knows how to prune a fruit tree properly. In the first place, fruit trees require a very little pruning, and the old idea that large quantities of the inside branches should be cut out "to let in the air and sunshine" is nonsense. The pruning of trees should be done on a scientific plan in so far that there should be a good reason for every cut that is made. Every liberal bearing fruit tree sends out little branches or spurs on the sides of all limbs and small branches, and these should never be cut off, nor should they be injured when the fruit is being gathered or in any other way, for these spores produce the fruit buds for the coming season's crop. Every tree which needs pruning should be pruned when the superfluous branches are small and the cut should be made at the junction of the limbs with the main stock. At this point in the growth of the tree the intelligent observer will note a decided seam or crease running around the base of each branch, and if the cut is made at that point it will heal more quickly than if made at any other place. When pruning have at hand a quantity of grafting wax to brush over the raw cut as soon as it is made. Grafting wax is readily made at home by melting a pound of rosin with a pound of tallow, adding a small quantity of linseed oil if the wax is too brittle or more rosin if too soft.—Atlanta Journal.

Improved Strawberry Culture.

As culturists become more familiar with the requirements of the strawberry plant, and especially where it is properly grown on small areas, they learn that while moisture is essential it does not of necessity mean the employment of elaborate systems of irrigation in order to make it successful. The necessary moisture is most easily secured and especially during the first season, by attention to the proper details in the preparation of the soil and in cultivation. Early spring planting for new beds and early spring cultivation for beds already set are important, for to allow the soil to become dry in the spring beyond the point necessary to get it into good workable condition is to take great risks in strawberry culture. Early and continuous cultivation saves the moisture to an extent not appreciated, for it has been in excess of that from cultivated ground to an amount equal to an inch and three quarters of rainfall in one week. As a well-known strawberry grower remarks: "A man with a team and sprinkling cart would not replace the water on an acre of land as fast as it escapes by evaporation from the soil when it goes off at that rate, if he had to haul the water one-fourth of a mile." Low prices are likely to rule for the next season or two and yet there will be money in strawberries if they are grown on the intensive plan and the market supplied with the high grades of fruit in fair quantities, rather than the inferior fruit in larger quantities.

Cure Found for Ticks.

The bureau of animal industry has just made its annual report to the House of Representatives. Some of the points discussed are of particular interest to stockmen. Part of the report reads as follows:

"Probably the most important work of this bureau during the year has been the experimental study of the effect of different substances in destroying the ticks which spread the infection of Texas fever. For a long time it appeared as though no mixture could be obtained which would kill these parasites without severely injuring the cattle which were treated. Recently it has been found that a petroleum product known as paraffine oil will destroy the ticks without greatly irritating the skin of the animal to which it is applied. It is thought that by dipping the cattle twice in this oil, with an interval of a few days, all the ticks will be destroyed and the animals, even from the infected district, may thereafter be shipped with safety to any part of the country. If this hope is fulfilled, the dipping of cattle from the infected districts soon must become general, and will save millions of dollars to the southern states. At present such cattle must be kept separate and in quarantine pens, and sold as quarantined animals at a less price than they would bring if they were free from such restriction. The general dipping of infected cattle would prevent the infection of cars and stockyards, and enable this bureau to prevent the dissemination of Texas fever with less hardship to the owners of cattle, and with greater safety to the stock interest.

"An effort also is being made to prevent the losses from disease known as 'blackleg,' by distributing to the owners of herds where such losses occur a vaccine that will produce immunity. The ravages of the disease in some of our states have become discouraging to the owners of cattle, particularly to those who have endeavored to grade up their herds and breed the best beef-producing varieties. Many owners of large herds have reported annual losses ranging from eight to fourteen per cent. This disease appears to be quite easily prevented by vaccination. Heretofore, however, the methods used in this country have required two vaccinations, with an interval of ten days or more, and the trouble and expense of double vaccination, added to the cost of vaccine, have deterred many stock owners from adopting this method of prevention. This bureau has experimented with a vaccine prepared by a special method, which produces sufficient immunity to resist the disease with one vaccination. This bureau has prepared a large quantity of this vaccine, and has distributed it for experimental purposes. By securing this material free of charge and obtaining immunity with a single operation, the method has been so simplified and cheapened that cattle owners who have suffered loss from the disease in the past are anxious to adopt it."

Variable Heights.

"How tall be ye, Henry?"

"'Bout six foot, I guess, with my boots off. How tall be you?"

"'Bout six foot when my hair's cut.'—Harper's Bazar.

The average yield of wheat in all the counties of Washington this season was thirty-five bushels to the acre

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

Addition to Anniston Mill.

The Anniston company is erecting an addition to its already large cotton mill. The addition will be about 30x50 feet in size and one story high.

McClellan for Chief Justice.

Telegrams from throughout the state received at Montgomery show that of the 504 votes in the state convention at least 325 are sure for Judge McClellan for chief justice.

New Industries in Prospect.

Negotiations are now on for the location of two plants in New Decatur, which promise to be successful. If so they will place capital to the amount of $150,000 in stable industries.

Receiver Appointed.

Upon the application of J. H. Bartlett, representing the English stockholders of the Jasper Land company, the Chancery Court has appointed Mr. Bartlett temporary receiver for the Corona Coal & Coke company.

A Government Order Filled.

The Birmingham Rolling Mill company has filled an order from the government for four tons of steel "round," to be used in fortifications work at Pensacola. The rods will be used in securing the foundations for fortifications.

Anniston Pipe Works Sold.

The plant of the Anniston Pipe and Foundry company was sold last week to the Southern Pipe company, a new corporation. The plant is one of the largest in the world. A portion of it was burned last summer, and is now being rebuilt. The new owners will enlarge the plant still further.

Jefferson's Democratic Primaries.

In the democratic primary election of Jefferson county Saturday, the following were the successful candidates: For probate judge, J. P. Stiles; senior judge of city court of Birmingham, Wm. W. Wilkerson; associate judge of city court of Birmingham, Charles A. Senn; judge of the tenth judicial circuit, W. C. Ward.

Courtland Municipal Election.

At the regular annual city election held at Courtland the following ticket was elected: Mayor, A. J. Crosthwait; aldermen, J. E. Brown, E. O. Campbell, C. A. Hall, Dr. J. F. Master and S. W. White; city marshall, W. T. Simmons. One of the aldermen, S. W. White, is a negro. A bitter fight was made against White, but a heavy republican vote, mostly negroes, carried the day for him.

Land Company Elects Officers.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Jasper Land Company the following directors were elected for the next year: J. H. Bartlett, E. W. Coleman, J. H. Bankhead, Jr., J. H. Crawford, R. Y. Lang. At a meeting of the directors the following officers were elected: E. W. Coleman, president; J. H. Crawford, vice-president; J. H. Bankhead, Jr., secretary and treasurer. The land company is capitalized at $500,000, and has much valuable land in Jasper and vicinity.

Pushing the Work at Fort Morgan.

The work of preparation at Fort Morgan at Mobile is being rapidly pushed. Major Russell is busily engaged in gathering material for the two new batteries which he has been ordered by the government to build at Fort Morgan. On one of these batteries he will mount two rapid fire guns and on the other will be mounted two twelve-inch disappearing guns, each of which with its carriage weighs in the neighborhood of half a million pounds. There are already mounted at Fort Morgan and in fine working order four eight-inch disappearing guns.

Indebted to the State.

Assistant Examiner Foster has filed with the governor his report on the office of Mr. C. C. Kelly, clerk of the circuit and ex-officio clerk of the county court of Walker county, from the beginning of his term of office to January 1, 1898. Mr. Kelley according to the figures of the assistant examiner, owes the state $3,965.68. This is the recapitulation: Feed and removal bills not issued for hard labor and penitentiary cases, $3,626.10; amount due on feed bills collected, $47.80; feed and removal bills not taxed in cases of confession, $231.16; amount estimated due on solicitors fees, $30.62; total, $3,965.68.

End of the Carson Case.

Governor Johnston ended a unique case Friday by appointing Drewry B. Carson sheriff of Lauderdale county to succeed A. D. Carson, resigned. The governor recently ordered impeachment proceedings against the sheriff on account of his being frequently intoxicated. Out of the proceedings grew a $30,000 libel suit against the Western Union Telegraph Company and The Age-Herald Publishing Company, of Birmingham. The telegraph company transmitted a message to the Age-Herald before the court had come to a decision, saying that Carson had been found guilty. Subsequently the court held that Carson was drunk and the libel suits were dismissed.

Shipping Iron to Italy.

A shipment of 500 tons of pig iron bound for Genoa, Italy, is being made from the warrant yards at Ensley City furnaces. The shipment began a few days ago, and has been completed almost. The American Pig Iron Storage Warrant Company has been shipping considerable iron from their yards at Ensley recently, and it is estimated that a removal of at least 5,000 tons from one yard there has occurred in the last few months. The Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company is shipping almost all the iron being made at the furnaces in blast there. Considerable of it has gone to Stockholm and Genoa. Most of the iron being made there is going out of the United States.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

At Tombigbee David Moran shot Theodore Minge

Mrs. Sarah Wood, widow of the late Judge W. B. Wood, died at Florence. She was 75 years of age.

Inflammatory Rheumatism.

From St. Lawrence Plaindealer, Canton, N. Y.

To suffer for years with a prevailing painful ailment, which baffled skillful medical treatment, yet which was cured by a simple household remedy, is the lot which befell Mrs. George L. Rogers, of West Main Street, Canton, N. Y.

"Thirteen years ago," said Mrs. Rogers to a reporter, "I was attacked with inflammatory rheumatism and a complication of diseases. You can judge somewhat of what I endured, when you look at these hands. They were distorted, twisted and swollen. My foot, too, is so much out of shape that the big toe lays across the others, the end touching the little toe.

Goes to Church.

"Notwithstanding I am sixty-five years old, have a pleasant home and other comforts, life to me was far from enjoyable, for all other things pale into insignificance when you are without good health. I tried different doctors and many proprietary remedies, but was not benefited.

"Last March I tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and before I had finished the first box I began to feel that they were doing me good. I continued using them and steadily grew better.

"I have used thirteen boxes of the pills and to-day feel better than for the past fifteen years. My appetite is good, I feel bright, cheerful and have a desire to live and enjoy society.

"I have been a member of the Methodist church for many years, but for six years was unable to attend. I am able now to attend the church services regularly and certainly appreciate that privilege. I consider Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People a wonderful medicine and am confident no other medicine could have effected the wonderful cure they have in my case." Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are composed of vegetable remedies that exert a powerful influence in purifying and enriching the blood thus curing many diseases.

For chilblains rub the feet every day with this liniment: Oil of turpentine 80 grams; chloroform, 15 grams; glycerine, up to 180 grams.

A combination that makes an efficient tooth wash is composed of pulverized charcoal and chalk flavored with a little wintergreen.

The surest way to tell how to distinguish chronic bronchitis from consumption is by the physical signs which medical training alone can give. But ordinarily there are these differences: In consumption there is wasting of flesh, slight fever, night sweats, pronounced lack of strength and a peculiar pallor. In bronchitis there is a cought and spittle, but not much lack of strength and seldom and night sweats. Consumption generally progresses, while bronchitis may get no worse for years.

Three Good Things.

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ORDERS FOR MOBILIZING

Troops on the Coast for Quick Transportation to Cuba.

WARLIKE STEPS TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT

Concentrating Troops at Four Points in the South—Commanding Officers Instructed to Put Orders Into Effect as Soon as Possible.

WASHINGTON (Special). —Decidedly the most warlike step taken by the war department in preparing for the possibility of an encounter with Spain was inaugurated Friday, when orders were issued for the concentration at four points in the south of six regiments of cavalry, twenty-two regiments of infantry and the light batteries of five regiments of artillery. At Chickamauga there will be six regiments of cavalry and the light batteries of five regiments of artillery; at New Orleans, eight regiments of infantry; at Tampa, seven regiments of infantry, and at Mobile, seven regiments of infantry. Since the civil war no such proportion of the army has been mobilized, and the movement itself is the best evidence of the gravity of the situation as looked upon by the president and his advisers.

Secretary Alger at once called into conference General Miles and Adjutant General Corbin, and acquainted them with the results of the cabinet's deliberations. There were hurried consultations, in which the quartermaster-general, who has charge of the transportation of the troops, the commissary general, who looks after their subsistence, and representatives in Washington of various railroads running to the south, participated.

The department has so distributed the twenty-two regiments of infantry at such convenient places on the gulf they will be accessible for quick transportation to Cuba. Proposals have been invited from steamship companies for chartering vessels to the government for this work.

Instructions to the commanding officers of the regiments ordered to move have been sent out, with directions to be put into effect as soon as possible.

The following regiments of cavalry and light batteries of artillery are relieved from duty at their present stations and will be ordered to proceed to Chickamauga Park, Ga:

All the light batteries of the First, Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth regiments of Artillery, and the First, Second, Third, Sixth and Ninth and Tenths Regiments of Cavalry.

The following regiments of infantry are relieved from duty at their present stations, and will be ordered to the following points:

To New Orleans—The First, Seventh, Eighth, Twelfth, Sixteenth, Eighteenth, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth.

To Mobile—Second, Third, Tenth, Eleventh, Nineteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-second.

To Tampa, Fla.—The Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Ninth, Thirteenth, Seventeenth and Twenty-first.

The command of the army will devolve upon Major General Nelson A. Miles, who is now at the head of the military branch of the government. His temporary headquarters it is said, probably, will be at Atlanta. General Miles's permanent headquarters will depend entirely upon the exigencies of the situation and the developments of the campaign.

The whole available force east of the Rocky mountains, numbering about 20,000 men, will be moved.

INTERVENTION HOPELESS.

So Thinks the Austrian Ambassador to Great Britain.

LONDON (Special).—The Austrian Ambassador admits he has given up hope of European powers preventing war. An Ambassador says efforts towards a naval demonstration could not succeed, Great Britain having refused to join in such a movement. The British foreign office does not believe the powers will make a naval demonstration. A Rome dispatch, referring to the rumors of a proposition to make an additional navy demonstration off the island of Cuba, says Austria is taking the lead in the matter, but it is understood that Great Britain and Germany are not favorable to the suggestion.

SPANISH PARLIAMENT

Has Been Summoned to Meet on Wednesday, April 20.

MADRID, (Special.)—At a cabinet council, which was held Thursday under the presidency of the Queen Regent, it was decided to hasten the reopening of the Spanish parliament. The date for the assembling of the Cortes was April 25, but parliament will now be summoned on Wednesday, April 20, next.

The Queen Regent, at the cabinet council, signed the decree for a national subscription to increase the strength of the Spanish fleet.

NO ARMISTICE AGREED TO

By the Insurgents, Says Mr. Quesada, of the Cuban Junta.

Mr. Quesada, the representative at Washington of the Cuban insurgents, said in regard to the London Stock Exchange rumors of an armistice having been agreed to by the Cuban insurgents, that there had been no such agreements; that these reports were circulated only for the purpose of delaying action by the United States.

FORTY-EIGHT HOURS THE LIMIT

For Spain to Relinquish Her Hold on Cuba, Says the Washington Post.

The Washington Post's summary of the situation published in Sunday's issue includes the following statement:

"Immediately the president is empowered to use the army and navy he will issue an ultimatum to Spain, giving her twenty-four hours—possibly forty-eight—within which to answer whether she will peaceably withdraw her troops and flag from Cuba. Her refusal to evacuate the island, which is, of course, expected, will be the signal for action on the part of this government and that action will be the use of both our naval and land forces. The Post makes this statement upon the highest possible authority, the course of action indicated having been decided upon at yesterday's cabinet meeting. Should the resolutions reach the president, accompanied by the amendment recognizing the republic of Cuba, the president will sign them, but in a brief message to congress he will hold that the constitutional prerogatives vested in the president to recognize other governments cannot be taken away and that the amendment is therefore void and inoperative."

CANNOT BE CONFIRMED.

Reported in Chicago That the Man Who Laid the Mines That Destroyed the Maine Is Under Arrest.

The Chicago Times-Herald says: "Charles A. Crandall, alias Emanuel Escadaro, who, acting under the personal orders of Captain General Weyler planted the mines and torpedos in the harbor of Havana, has been run to earth in Chicago. Thursday night he was in custody of three United States secret agents, who are taking him to Washington, where he is expected to give information to prove beyond any possible doubt that the Maine was blown up by a mine and her 266 officers and crew murdered designedly by agencies known to the Spanish officials.

"He was run down by a Cuban spy, "Ever since the Maine was blown up Crandall, or Escadaro, has been dodging about the country. When the United States secret agents assured him that he would be protected he volunteered to accompany them.

"Crandall's statements are substantiated by letters in his possession from Weyler's officers and from Weyler himself.

The Times-Herald story, after diligent inquiry, could not be confirmed.

ENGLAND WITH US.

Will Take No Part in Reported Naval Demonstration Against United States.

LONDON, (Special.)—The officials of the British foreign office, when questioned on the subject, refused to make a statement on the hypothetical case as to whether Great Britain would join in a naval demonstration in behalf of Spain, but they added that they did not believe that such a demonstration would be attempted.

A representative of the Associated Press, however, learns from the ambassador here of a continental power that no such demonstration is contemplated, "though it might be mooted by some despairing friend of Spain." He added: "Such a movement could not succeed if attempted, in view of Great Britain's flat refusal to join in any demonstration or step with the view of putting pressure upon the United States. If the continental powers attempted it Great Britain would probably openly endorse the United States, a certain snub to Europe. The Austrian ambassador openly says he has given up any hope of Europe preventing war."

SPAIN FOR BLOODY WAR.

Cabinet Confirms Belief That War is Inevitable.

MADRID (Special.)—The action taken by the Spanish cabinet has confirmed the general belief that war is now inevitable. The warlike tone of the official note issued by the Spanish government finds general approval here, and creates much excitement.

Contrary to the general opinion that the queen regent has been negotiating for peace at any price, her attitude had much to do with the firm action of the cabinet.

The queen says:

"I prefer even the horrors of war, rather than a tarnish on the prestige of the army, or an impairment of the rights of the crown."

Angry Mob at Malaga.

MALAGA, SPAIN—There was a serious disturbance here Saturday, resulting in an attack upon the United States consulate. The demonstration began with the parading of small crowds through the streets shouting patriotic cries. But the mob eventually gathered and attacked the United States consulate. Stones were thrown, and one of the mob leaders procured a ladder, tore down the shield having upon it the arms of the United States, and dragged it along the streets. The prefect arrived and addressed the people, begging them to disperse, which to some degree restored order.

Disabilities Removed.

Governor Atkinson has issued orders as commander-in-chief of the Georgia militia, removing the disabilities of twenty-five members of the Atlanta artillery, who were discharged by court martial in March, 1897. The young men were charged with an uprising against their captain.

Catskill in Commission.

The monitor Catskill was placed in commission at League Island navy yard. She is expected to leave for Boston Monday or Tuesday.

SENATE IS FOR INDEPENDENCE.

Patriotic Senators Sever the Tender Threads of Peace Between Spain and the United States.

RECOGNITION OF CUBA FOLLOWED BY INTERVENTION.

The President Directed to Use Arms to Force Spain to Evacuate. Nations Are Notified That This Country Doesn't Want Cuba---The Resolution Must Now be Ratified by the House---The Final Vote Was 67 to 21.

The United States has spoken. Its voice is for war—war until the saffron flag of Spain shall have been furled in the western hemisphere, and furled forever. Its voice, too, is for the independence of the infant republic of the Gem of the Antilles.

"Free Cuba and the independence of the infant republic," was the shibboleth of the senate throughout the four days of debate that ended Saturday. While the verdict returned was decisive, it is just to say that it was not final. Notes of discord, almost foreboding in their tone, were sounded. This foreboding was not due in any sense to anxiety about the result of the impending conflict. It was prompted by a fear lest, if the action taken by the senate should ultimately be accepted as final, this government might become involved in complications that, in future years, would prove serious.

At 9:10 o'clock Saturday night the Davis resolutions—those reported from the committee on foreign relations, amended so as to include the recognition of the republic of Cuba—were passed by a vote of 67 to 21, as a substitute for the resolution adopted by the house of representatives.

Many Senators Spoke.

No less than twenty-five senators addressed themselves to the momentous question upon consideration during the day, and, while under the rule elaborate arguments were impossible, the speeches were characterized by an impassioned force and eloquence rarely heard in or out of the halls of the American congress.

It was not until the first vote—that on the amendment of Mr. Turpie, of Indiana, providing for recognition of the island republic—had been taken that the senate was brought face to face with the tremendous importance of its action. The scene in the chamber of many historic debates was one of incomparable solemnity and impressiveness. The galleries, which had been filled apparently to their utmost capacity throughout the day, were massed with brilliantly attired women and men distinguished in all walks of public and private life. On the floor was every member elected to the senate, save one, Mr. Walthall, of Massachusetts, who was again detained from his seat by serious illness.

The Test Vote.

The test vote quite naturally was on the amendment offered by Mr. Turpie, recognizing the independence of the Cuban republic. It prevailed by a majority of 14, the vote being 51 to 37.

By political parties the vote was cast as follows:

Yeas—Republicans, 11; democrats, 28; populists, 7; silver republicans, 5.

Nays—Republicans, 32; democrats, 5.

Upon the final vote the allignment of parties was quite different from that on the Turpie amendment. An analysis of it follows:

Yeas—Republicans, 24; democrats, 31; populists, 7; silver republicans, 5. Total, 67.

Nays—Republicans, 19; democrats, 2. Total, 21.

Resolution as Passed.

The action of the senate leaves the Cuban resolution in the following status:

The house number and enacting clause, the senate preamble, resolution, the Turpie resolution and a fourth paragraph proposed by Mr. Teller. In full, it is as follows:

"Joint resolution for the recognition of the independence of the people and republic of Cuba, demanding that the government of Spain relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba, and to withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters and directing the president of the United States to use the land and naval forces of the United States to carry these resolutions into effect:

"Whereas, The abhorent conditions, which have existed for more than three years in the Island of Cuba, so near our own borders, have shocked the moral sense of the people of the United States, have been a disgrace to Christian civilization, culminating, as they have, in the destruction of a United States battleship, with 266 of its officers and crew, while on a friendly visit in the harbor of Havana, and cannot longer be endured, as has been set forth by the president of the United States in his message to congress of April 2, 1898, upon which the action of congress was invited; therefore,

"Resolved, By the senate and house of representatives in congress assembled:

The Republic Recognized.

"First—That the people of the Island of Cuba are and of right ought to be free and independent, and that the government of the United States hereby recognizes the Republic of Cuba as the true and lawful government of that island.

"Second—That it is the duty of the United States to demand, and the government of the United States does hereby demand, that the government of Spain at once relinquish its authority and government in the Island of Cuba, and withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters.

"Third—That the president of the United States be, and he hereby is, directed and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and to call into the actual service of the United States any militia of the several states, to such extent as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect.

"Fourth—That the United States hereby disclaim any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty, government or control over said island, except for the pacification thereof, and assert their determination, when that is accomplished, to leave the government and control of the island to its people."

TO CONCENTRATE TROOPS.

Twenty-two Regiments to Move Toward Chickamauga is the Plan.

WASHINGTON (Special.)—In the event that the war policy contemplates the invasion of Cuba, the army may be increased to 100,000 men. Of this, the regular troops and the national guard will aggregate about 55,000 men, and the remainder will be made up of volunteers. In the event of a call upon the national guard, attention will be directed first to the organizations in the states of New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio and the District of Columbia.

General Miles's plan is to mobilize seventeen of the twenty-five regiments of infantry and five of the ten regiments of cavalry at the Chickamauga park as speedily as possible.

"Infamous Calumny," Says Sagasta.

Senor Sagasta, the Spanish premier, is quoted in a special dispatch from Madrid as saying, with reference to the destruction of the Maine having having been caused through Spanish agency: "This infamous calumny merits the reprobation of the whole world. All the nations know the true cause of the disaster and many officials know it, too. For the American government to base a plea of intervention upon heartless calumny of this character is to rebel against reason and justice. For this reason it is impossible for us to refrain from protesting formally against the imputation."

Munitions of War.

The Wilson line steamer Marengo, which arrived Friday from New Castle, England, brought 250 tons of war material recently purchased from the well known firm of Sir William Armstrong, Mitchell & Co. The munitions of war consist of guns, gun cartridges and unloaded cartridges.

Death Under the Wheels.

While inspecting cars at Stonega, Va., John Stewart, of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, was run over by an engine and killed outright.

NO "TIPS" TO SPAIN.

Movements of Warships Will Not Be Made Public.

Gradually the lines are tightening around the news centers of the navy department. The officials of the bureau have given notice that hereafter no more information would be given to the public respecting the arrival and departure of vessels from any of the United States or foreign ports. This is done under explicit orders from Secretary Long, who believes that in times of great public crisis like the present, when the navy is likely to be called into active requisition, the best interests of the government require that no publicity shall be given to the movements of the ships composing it.

Queen Regent Threatens to Abdicate.

The Queen Regent of Spain has informed the members of her court that it is her intention to abdicate immediately if the cabinet takes any steps derogatory to Spain's honor and dignity. The last dispatches from Washington have created profound excitement throughout Spain. The Spaniards protest against the "odious imputation" setting forth that Spanish officers were responsible for the loss of the Maine. It is asserted in Madrid that proof can be furnished to show that no torpedoes have ever been laid in Havana harbor.

A Thirty-Million-Dollar Combination.

Representatives of about fifty knitting mills met in New York the past week and formed a knit goods manufacturers' association. The combination, which is to include only the underwear branches of the knit goods manufacturers, will be incorporated and capitalized at $30,000,000.

Another Spaniard Packs His Grip.

Senor Polius, Spanish vice-consul at Jacksonville, Fla., has packed his personal effects, and is waiting for further orders.

UNCERTAINTY IS APPARENT.

Dun & Co.'s Trade Review Says There Is Much Hindrance to Business on Account of War Preparations.

R. G. Dun & Co's. weekly review of trade says:

Preparations for war continue as if it were inevitable. There is much hindrance to business, and yet the volume of payments through clearing houses is still 12.9 per cent. larger than last year, and outside New York about 2.2 per cent. larger than in 1892, though speculative stagnation here makes the aggregate lower. New York banks may now realize that they are strong enough for all possible emergencies and may give the government valuable aid by greater freedom in business loans. Sound New York banks are not in the least alarmed about the business situation, nor have they any occasion for alarm.

The industries are doing well because they have enormous orders taken in February or earlier, which insures operations for a period varying from a fortnight to several months.

But new orders are restricted by apprehension about the money market and the possibility of loans.

As to the iron business, foreign orders for six large vessels are pending in eastern yards, and orders for cars alone cover 20,000 tons basic steel at Pittsburg. Angles have advanced $1 per ton and structural works are all crowded with orders, while pipes are in heavy demand.

Print cloths are at the lowest point ever touched. The stagnation in wool is remarkable, the total sales at the three chief markets having been only 1,182,000 pounds, against 9,606,000 last year. Manufacturers are somewhat encouraged by a rather better tone in the clothing trade of late.

Wheat rose 5½ and held 2½ of it for the week. The volume of legitimate business is enormous and meanwhile failures are remarkably small, 245 this week, against 207 last year.

TO REVIEW CUBAN CASE.

Spain Will Send a Note to the European Powers.

A special dispatch from Madrid says: "Spain will send a note to the powers, which will review the whole Cuban question, pointing out that all the trouble with the United States arises through the clamor of the sugar manufacturers, who, it is claimed, fomented and organized the entire revolt. Attention will be recalled to the alleged unmolested filibusterings, and it will be asserted that the chief insurgent leaders are not Cubans, but adventurers of all nationalities, whose sole purpose is plunder and robbery.

"The concessions made by Spain will be enumerated and the note will say that Spain has done everything possible to pacify the island; the Consuls of the United States have constituted themselves insurgent agents, and the further statement will be made that whenever autonomy promised the desired results the American squadron was sent to Cuba to encourage the insurgents to hold out.

"These contentions, it is added, will be supported by documentary evidence, which, it is alleged, will prove the bareface displayed throughout by the United States toward Spain.

"The note to the powers will conclude with the declaration that Spain, having exhausted the means of peace, is reluctantly compelled to prepare for war and to fight for the maintenance of its right and honor."

GEN. MILES EXPLAINS.

President Has the Authority to Call Out 12,000,000 Men.

Maj.-Gen. Miles, commanding the army, says that considerable misapprehension exists in regard to the raising of troops in the event of war. He thought the people should understand the situation more thoroughly than appears to be the case at present.

"In the event of the passage of the resolution reported by the senate foreign relations committee," said Gen. Miles, "the president would have authority to call into the service of the government militia to the number of about 12,000,000 men. The third section of the resolution directs and empowers the president to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States and to call into the actual service of the United States militia of the several states to such extent as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect."

SPAIN WARNED OF DANGER.

The Last "Peaceful Illusion" Has Completely Disappeared.

MADRID, (Special.)—The Liberal says: "War is inevitable, the last peaceful illusion disappearing before the decision announced by the American senate committee attributing to Spain the Maine explosion, recognizing Cuban independence and announcing that armed intervention will shortly take place." Thereupon the Liberal warns Spain of the danger of delay and "further confidence in America," lest Spain "lose by a coup de main, without a fight and honor, what she can well defend."

Massachusetts Makes War Appropriation.

Gov. Wolcott sent a message to the legislature of Massachusetts Friday recommending an emergency appropriation of $500,000 to increase the efficiency of the state militia. A bill was framed promptly embodying the recommendation of the governor and was referred to the proper committees and reported back, and, under suspension of the rules, passed both branches. In twenty-five minutes from the time the message had been received the bill had been signed by the governor and had become a law.

CURRENT NEWS IN ALABAMA

Topics of Interest to Our Own People Briefly Noted.

PROHIBITIONISTS NOMINATE STATE TICKET

Volunteers to be Enlisted—Town Sold Under a Mortgage—Judge Brewer Renominated—A Fatal Accident. Other Interesting Items.

Will Enlist Volunteers.

Gen. John H. Forney, of Jacksonville, who has been appointed with Gen. Jos. Wheeler to represent Alabama on the committee of one hundred to enlist volunteers for the National Volunteer Reserves, has received his commission and will go to work at once enlisting volunteers in this state. General Forney was a Confederate general who gained distinction on many fields of battle during the late war, and he is now eager to serve a reunited country.

Prohibitionists Nominate a Ticket.

The prohibition party of Alabama held a state convention in Montgomery the past week and nominated the following state ticket: For governor, W. B. Witherspoon, of Anniston; secretary of state, G. W. Townsend, of Montgomery; attorney general, H. H. Blackman, of Ozark; auditor, P. J. Lowman, of Sheffield; treasurer, D. C. Bachelor, of Montgomery; superintendent of education, N. J. Finney, of Calhoun; commissioner of agriculture, C. E. Crenshaw, of Elmore.

Town Under the Hammer.

The town of Fruithurst, including all of the real estate belonging to the Alabama Fruit Growing and Winery Association, was sold at execution sale in Edwardsville the past week to the C. S. Curtiss Company, of New York, for the $15,455. Included in the sale was the very handsome hotel, which has made Fruithurst famous. The sale was subject to two mortgages. It is not thought that the town will suffer at all on account of the change in ownership of the property.

May Become a Military Center.

Brigadier-General Louis V. Clark has telegraphed to Congressman O. W. Underwood and through him has laid before the war department the advantages Birmingham offers for the mobilization of troops, both state and national, and he believes that this city stands a good show of becoming a military center.

Judge Brewer Renominated.

The judicial convention of the democratic party for the Seventh judicial circuit of Alabama met at Jacksonville and renominated by acclamation Judge Geo. E. Brewer. The Seventh circuit is composed of the counties of Calhoun, Clay, Cleburne, Shelby, St. Clair and Talladega.

Peculiar Fatal Accident.

The fourteen-year-old son of William Isley, at Waterloo, while playing with a slingshot, accidentally struck his little eight-year-old brother with one of the stones. The lad was struck in the temple and died instantly.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Hon. H. D. Lane is very ill at Huntsville.

Fourteen car loads of cattle were shipped from Selma the past week to points in Texas.

At Montgomery a small child of Edward Reaves fell into a tub of water and was drowned.

Leroy Bowie, colored, charged with killing a negro named Evans, was allowed bail of $3,000 at Talladega.

Geneva county has let a contract to J. J. Johnson to erect a handsome brick court house at a cost of $13,500.

A. W. McCullough, special master of the Memphis division of the Southern Railway, died at Huntsville the past week.

Robert A. Moseley, Jr., has announced that he is in the race for the gubernatorial nomination of Alabama republicans.

J. C. Rea has commenced the erection of a flouring mill at Florence which will have a capacity of 100 barrels per day.

The medical association of Alabama convenened in Birmingham Tuesday with an attendance of between 300 and 400 physicians.

Hugh Fraser, charged with complicity in the murder of J. L. Howell in the Bessemer jail on December 27, has been acquitted in the circuit court.

Edmund H. Rakestraw, a progressive farmer living near Ashville, aged 75 years, dropped dead in the road near his house. Heart disease was the cause.

Capt. W. T. Boyd, ex-county treasurer of Perry, and a brother of Mr. George R. Boyd, cashier in the state treasurer's office, died at his home in Marion.

The senatorial convention in session at Centerville, nominated J. G. Moore, of Blocton, senator from the eighteenth district, composed of Bibb and Perry counties.

Mr. John A. Thompson, of Pine Level, has received the appointment of superintendent of education of Montgomery county to succeed Dr. J. J. Hunter, resigned.

Latest returns from the democratic county convention show that McClellan will have 324 votes in the state convention for supreme judge, Coleman following with 114.

HOUSEHOLD MATTERS.

How to Improve Chocolate.

To those who study the niceties of detail in the preparation of even a simple dish, it may be suggested that chocolate used as a drink is much improved if blended several hours beforehand. It is better even to break the lumps of unsweetened chocolate into an earthen bowl the night before, adding cold water and covering closely. In this way the flavor of the chocolate is best extracted.

Roast Beef For a Small Family.

In buying a roast of beef for a small family do not try to buy too large a one, as the family will tire of it before it is eaten. A one-rib roast of the second or third cut will usually be quite sufficient. Have the ribs removed, skewer or tie in a round shape, season with salt and pepper, dredge with flour; brown quickly on each side on the stove or in a hot oven, and finish the process in a cool oven. Forty minutes will suffice for the whole operation. If browned potatoes are to accompany the roast, cut in halves, cook in boiling, salted water until nearly done, then lay in the dripping pan with the roast and finish there, basting frequently with the drippings.

Philosophy of Boiling.

Advanced cooks who study into the philosophy and physiology of cooking, with its accompanying effects upon the digestive organs, object to the close covering of any kettle or stewpan while its contents are cooking. All will recall the frequent deadliness of the chicken pie, when the crust has been made without a vent to allow for the escape of the steam and grass generated. The same effect, in lesser degree, may be noticed in the cooking of many, if not all, vegetables, in the boiling of beef, or in any other closed cooking. The free circulation of air is an admirable thing in cooking, as, witness, the broiling of steak, or the old-time roasting of beef on a spit—the most delicious and wholesome way of cooking. While in boiling it is not expedient to leave the cover entirely off, on account of its reducing the temperature too much, it should be left far enough off to allow for the free escape of the steam. Cabbage, cauliflower and spinach cooked in this way retain their natural color, and are much more digestible.—Washington Star.

Recipes.

Salad Cream—Mix one-half a tablespoonful of salt and the same quantity of mustard with one tablespoonful of sugar. Add one egg, slightly beaten, two and one-half teaspoonfuls of melted butter and three-fourths of a cup of vinegar. Cook over hot water until it thickens, strain and chill.

Lambs' Tongues—Boil till they are tender. Put them into cold water and take off the skins; scald enough vinegar to cover them, season with cloves and cinnamon, put them into a jar, pour over the vinegar, hot, and keep them well covered with vinegar all the time. A careful and faithful adherence to the recipe will insure success.

Waffles—One quart of warm milk, one-half cup of yeast, one teaspoonful of sugar, one tablespoonful of melted butter, a little salt and flour enough to make a batter thick as cream. Rise over night. In the morning add two well-beaten eggs. Bake in waffle irons. Take care that the eggs are well beaten into the batter. It often happens that a considerable "lump" of egg will be encountered if one is not careful.

Tomatoes a la Julienne—Peel; cut in halves, and press out the seeds from six tomatoes, and then chop them fine. To each pint allow one pint of bread crumbs, a teaspoonful of salt, a teaspoonful of onion juice, a saltspoonful of chopped parsley. Form into croquettes, dip in eggs, then in crumbs and fry. The mixture may be too soft to handle. In that case simply add bread crumbs till the right consistency is obtained.

Golden Nuggets—Mix together one ounce of sweet almonds, blanched and sliced; two ounces of bitter almonds, blanched and powdered; three tablespoons of apricot jam, two ounces of very fine bread crumbs, and two well-beaten eggs. Finally, add an ounce of creamed butter, and pour the mixture into fancy molds and bake for twenty minutes in a moderate oven. When removed from the molds serve them in separate fancy paper cases.

Tomatoes a la Julienne—Peel, cut in halves, and press out the seeds from six tomatoes, and then chop them fine. To each pint allow one pint of bread crumbs, a teaspoonful of salt, a teaspoonful of onion juice, a saltspoonful of pepper and a tablespoonful of chopped parsley. Form into croquettes, dip in eggs, then in crumbs, and fry. The mixture may be too soft to handle. In that case, simply add bread crumbs until the right consistency is obtained.

"Apple Cooken"—The apfel kuchen you enjoyed so much in Germany, or apple cooken, as it is called here, is made as follows: Line a shallow tin with tart paste or bread dough. Peel, quarter and core as many apples as you require. Then cut them in halves and quarters. Lay them close together sideways on the paste till it is covered. Mix a custard of a half pint of milk, two eggs, a teaspoonful of corn starch, some grated lemon peel or nutmeg and sugar enough to flavor.

Hotch Potch Pie—In a deep pie dish place a layer of cold cooked veal, then a layer of boiled potatoes, sliced thin; next some slices of ham, followed by a layer of hard boiled eggs, sliced, and so on, until the dish is full. Cover the top with potatoes, cut into rather small pieces. Pour a teacupful of stock into the pie, cover with a crust, with small openings in it to let the steam and gas escape, and bake for three-quarters of an hour in a moderate oven. Season each layer separately and serve hot.

THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE

JOHN W. PITTS, - - - EDITOR.

Entered in the post-office at Columbiana Ala., as second class matter.

NOTICE.

The partnership heretofore existing between J. W. Pitts and Frank Norris has been dissolved, and the partnership effects will be placed in the hands of a receiver for settlement. All accounts due The Advocate to November 1, 1897, are the property of the undersigned, to whom all payments must be made. I will continue the publication of The Advocate.

JOHN W. PITTS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 23rd of April, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

The Advocate is authorized to announce G. B. Deans as a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23rd, 1898.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 23rd of April, 1888.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 23rd of April, 1898.

We are authorized to announce John H. Leonard as a candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court of Shelby County, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23rd, 1898.

The friends of T. A. Huston announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held, April 23, 1898.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23, 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE.—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for reelection to the office of Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 23rd of April, 1898.

MR. EDITOR.—Please announce W. C. Powers as a candidate for Commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties.

MANY FRIENDS.

We are authorized to announce John W. Spradley, Jr., as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth district, subject to the cooperation of the Republican and People's party.

Primary Election Notice.

By authority of the county executive committee a primary election will be held at the various voting places in Shelby County on Saturday, April 23, 1898, for the purpose of electing candidates for Representative, Probate Judge, Circuit Clerk, County Superintendent of Education, and Commissioners from the 2nd and 4th commissioner's districts.

At the same time the Populists of each beat will elect three executive committeemen to serve two years.

The Populist executive committee of each beat will act as managers of the election and send up the certified returns to the county executive committee, which will meet at the court house at 12 m., on Monday, April 25, for the purpose of counting the vote and declaring the result.

JNO. W. PITTS, Chairman.
J. F. MCGRAW, Secretary.

Judge Geo. E. Brewer was nominated by acclimation for Judge of the 7th Judicial circuit by the democratic convention which met at Jacksonville last Saturday.

The candidates are stirring around this week. They have only a few days more to convince the people of their peculiar fitness for the offices to which they aspire.

M. D. Ivey, Esq., of Talladega and Judge A. G. Watson, of Ashville, are candidates for the Populist nomination for Judge of this circuit. Both gentlemen are popular in their respective counties and either would make a good judge.

Is there no applicants for the populist nomination for chancellor of this division. Nearly every county in the division is Populist by safe majorities and a nomination would be equivolent to an election. As we understand it, there are four candidates in opposition to Judge Brewer. Why not make a Chancellor out of one of them.

We are reliably informed that interested parties are telling it all over the county that the editor of this paper is fighting every man seeking the populist nomination, and he is doing it in the interest of the democratic party. The party circulating that report knows better, but he hopes by such slander to create a prejudice against certain candidates. He is too contemptable to notice further now.

Some of the Northern papers are loud in their praise of the valor and endurance of the Southern soldiers. These editors go so far as to suggest that the brunt of the impending war should be borne by Southern men, because the latter are nearer the seat of war and could endure the Cuban climate better than their Northern brothers. This was the cry when the war with Mexico engaged the attention of the country. And, sure enough, the Southern commands, lead by Scott, Taylor, Pillow, Triggs and other Southern officers did carry the struggle to a successful termination. In point of numbers the troops from the South largely outnumbered those from the North, and to their courage and patriotism is due the defeat of Mexico.—Wetumpka Democrat.

THE FACTS.

The Populists of Shelby have known for some time that a few men around Columbiana have been making desperate efforts for the last six or eight months to get possession of the Advocate, but very few understand the facts in the case or the absurdity of the reasons they advance for claiming the paper.

In order that every Populist may understand what these modest claimants are trying to do, I deem it right and proper to give, in as few words as possible, the history of the Advocate since it was started, June 1st, 1892.

A call was made for subscriptions to start a Populist paper at Columbiana, which was responded to by liberal contributions from all over the county, in sums ranging from $1 to $50. In payment of their subscriptions few gentleman borrowed from A. W. Strickland $250, giving their joint note for the same; others more fortunate paid their subscriptions in cash.

It was understood that when the supscriptions were all paid in certificates of stock would be issued to each subscriber and a joint stock company organized. For some reason, unknown to the writer, the stock company was never organized, but the material was bought and paid for and turned over to A. P. Longshore and J. W. Pitts to publish a Populist paper. The Advocate was started by Pitts & Longshore as the Advocate Publishing Company, with J. S. Pitts as editor. It was so advertised in every newspaper directory in the United States.

When the paper was started we expected to elect all the county officers, and the paper would be a paying investment. Our men were counted out and we lost the few officers we did have, and the paper was a dead expense.

At every Populist meeting and every meeting of the county Alliance appeals were made to the people for aid to keep the paper running, and the appeals were always responded to by liberal contributions.

In January, 1896, the writer, at the request of A. P. Longshore, moved to Columbiana and assumed control of the Advocate. This was not done, however, until Mr. Longshore agreed, in a letter, to turn over to me his interest in the Advocate.

In 1896 we elected all the county officers except judge of probate and clerk. Then it was that these men who borrowed the money to pay their subscriptions—or at least three of them—conceived the idea of claiming the Advocate because they had borrowed of Mr. Strickland the money to pay their subscriptions. I denied the correctness of their claims. I could not see how Henry Norris or either of the other gentlemen who signed the Strickland note had any more claim on the press and type on which the Advocate is printed than E. F. Vest, Jno. B. Randall, G. B. Deans, Jasper Holcomb, F. M. McEwen. A. E. McGraw, I. W. Johnson, and others who took the money out of their pockets and paid their subscriptions. If it belongs to one it belongs to all who paid their subscriptions in proportion to the amount they had contributed and could not be sold to pay the subscription of one in preference to another. I still think so and I think any court will so decide.

Holding these views and believing that the press and type belonged to all who contributed to the purchase, I refused, when these gentlemen demanded of me possession, to deliver to them the material. A detinue suit was brought, and at the fall term of the circuit court the case was decided in my favor.

In the meantime Frank Norris managed, in some way, to get possession of the Strickland note and brought suit against the individuals who had signed it. No defense was made, and judgement was rendered against them. On Monday after court adjourned Mr. Longshore made the necessary affidavit and had the clerk to issue and place in the hands of the sheriff an execution. He instructed the sheriff to levy upon the material. I could have replevied and continued the fight, but in order to stop litigation I agreed to turn over the material to Frank Norris and bought from him a half interest. I entered into a written contract with him to publish a paper, and continued the publication of the Advocate, he obligating himself to do the mechanical work and I the editorial work. The terms of that contract authorized either party in case of a violation on the part of the other to declare the partnership dissolved. The contract was openly violated on divers occasions, and failing to get a settlement as required by the terms of the contract I declared the partnership dissolved and, unless otherwise araanged, the courts will make the settlement.

To avoid litigation I have given way and allowed the gentlemen to take property which did not belong to them, and still they are not satisfied. They now claim the books, accounts and good will of the Advocate, all because they borrowed some money to pay their subscriptions. The absurdity of their claim is apparent to every sensible man.

POPULISM.

In the People's Party Paper of March 25, was an article entitled "That Last Plank." It contained the following sentence. "Our present representative system is a relic of the dark ages."

Our representative system was established with, and at the beginning of this government, was, at that time, a great improvement over former systems and monarchial governments. This people is full of inventions and has been ever since our grand fathers showed England that they could invent a government.

Must we stop there and never make any improvements on the pattern our ancestors cut for us? Suppose no one had ever gone any further than Franklin with electricity; electricity would today be as much a mystery as a Populist government is to a Democrat or Republican. If our politicians had kept apace with our inventors, we would today be enjoying a government that would indeed be a shining light and a blessing to the whole world. Every science known to man is advancing, except the science of government. Why not keep it apace with other science?

"That last plank" rights all things. The prohibitionist need not fear the Populist because by the initiative and referendum they can force a vote on their "pet" measure, and a question coming to the people that way would be eliminated from partisan politics, and would therefore be more likely to pass. By it the Democrats could get free silver, if they are sincere in the faith they profess.

By it, the Republicans could down governmental ownership of railroads, if they were strong enough, and if they are not they should be willing to submit to the majority. In fact we could all have a trial at passing our beloved hobby. At a glance we see that representative government has outlived its day by several administrations. It is a back number or should be.

There is no other party but the Populist party that is willing for the people to govern themselves.

There is no sane, sensible, fair-minded man that can object to our platform. The socialists may say it does not go far enough. Why not? By that last plank he can try his most cherished scheme. The Populist platform, (or proposed form of government) is as far advanced above the old parties in the science of government as Edison is above those who have gone before him.

The Democrat may say that we are agreed, (the Democrats and Populists) on the most important question, the money question. We say, oh, no! That is the vital question upon which we differ. You, like the Republicans, are in favor of redemption money and ours is the only party that favors absolute money, money irredeemable, money backed by every nickle's worth of property in the United States. When the people can get consent of their minds to shed their political fogyism, then we can have reform that will be lasting and beneficial, and not until then. Then we can eventually have an ideal government, such as God intended for us to have when he said he was Lord of Lords and King of Kings.

Now do not be afraid that I want to mix politics with religion, for that would not do. We do not want to mix our politics with our religion, but if we don't get more religion in our politics than we have had, for a long time, this is a doomed nation.

We should advance, not retrograde. Should advance in all things that make for our good, till we get to the point that we love God supremely and our neighbor as ourselves. Then it will be that no one will wish to oppress his fellowman, and we will have an ideal government. The body politic is badly diseased, and I insist that the Populist platform offers a safe remedy for all our ailments. It is a panacea for all our ills. A king cure all.

I will admit it is a little hard for an old partyite to take, but he would want another dose if he should take one. In his mouth it would be as bitter as gall, but in his belly it would be as sweet as honey.—W. G. Anderson, in People's Party Paper.

The little clique around Columbiana who are attempting to dictate to populists as to whom they shall vote far in the primary, are now telling it that the editor of the Advocate brought out Mr. Huston in the interest of democracy. That is about as near the truth as a good many other things they are telling just now. Mr. Huston will bear testimony that I had nothing to do with his announcement. If I had I certainly would not deny it. As a Populist I have the right to vote and work for whom I please in the primary. Every populist in the county has the same right. Whether they have or not, they would do it. In fact the populists of Shelby are noted for having heads of their own. If they want to vote for Huston they will do it. If they want to vote for Leonard they will do it, or if they decide to vote for Deans they will do it, regardless of any slate that may have been fixed up at the court house. They have long since stopped coming to the court house for instructions how to vote.

We are again compelled to draw upon the kindness of our neighbor and have the Advocate printed in the Chronicle office. We employed Mr. A. G. Lewis, a practical printer and a populist, and attempted to have the paper set up in the Advocate office and worked off on the press belonging to the populist of Shelby, but Frank and Henry Norris had taken possession of the office and refused to allow him to work there and after we left locked him out of the office. We were compelled in order to get out the paper to put Mr. Lewis to work in the Chronicle office and get the paper out there. We hope our friends will bear with us a little while untill the courts decide as to who are the proper owners of the press and type in the Advocate office. In the meantime we will continue the publication of the Advocate as best we can till the question is settled.

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March 8, 1897. Samuel Pitcher M.D.

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Rumors are rife of combines among candidates to secure their nominations in the primary next Saturday. This is wrong and certain to hurt the parties engaged in it. Let every man tote his own skillet.

Be certain to go out to the primary next Saturday and vote for good men to fill the different offices. There is good material to select from and a ticket can be nominated that will be a credit to the county. Give every man a fair chance and when the majority have named the candidates pull off your coats, roll up your sleeves and go to work for them whether your choice or not.

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Remember the primary next Saturday.

W. H. Duran, of Calera, was in the city Monday.

Pratts' chicken cholera remedy sold by J. H. Hammond.

Mr. J. L. Ray, of Wilsonville, was in the city yesterday.

E. L. Spencer, of Avondale, was in the city this week.

Mayor Thetford visited Talladega the latter part of last week.

Pratts' food for horses, cows and hogs, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

Mrs. Holifield, of Blocton, was the guest of Rev. Mr. Liles last week.

John S. Pitts, Tax assessor, is in town this week on official business.

Capt. R. M. Deshazo, of Bridgeton, was a visitor to our city last Monday.

Wm. A. Weldon, of beat 14, gave the Advocate a pleasant call yesterday.

Will Page has been confined to his bed the past week with a very serious illness.

Rally around the polls boys, next Saturday, and help us get out a good ticket.

Do you want a good coffee pot? Go to J. H. Hammond's and get it—a Rome coffee or teapot.

Mrs. C. J. Seabrooks, of Childersburg, is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. C. Armstrong of this place.

J. B. Farrell has resigned his position as salesman for Williams Bros., to go—well not to the war exactly.

Miss Mamie Seabrook, a most charming young lady of Childersburg, visited her aunt Mrs. Laura Armstrong, of this city last week.

Messrs. W. B. Browne, C. C. DuBose and F. W. Gist, of this city, are in Montgomery in attendance upon the Democratic convention now in session.

We all have our choice for the different offices to be filled, but after the boys have spoken and the result ascertained, we will all be for the nominees.

Messrs J. W. Johnston, W. F. Thetford and Miss Lucy Smith left Tuesday to attend the State Sunday school convention which convenes in Birmingham this week.

Mrs. Anna Burt, of Barton, and Mrs. W. M. Calohan, of Blocton, are in the city, having been called to the bedside of their mother, Mrs. W. S. DuBose, who is quite sick.

H. A. Seale, conductor on the Southern railroad spent Sunday and Monday with relatives in the city. He was accompanied on his return by his daughter, Miss Pearl, who will spend the week in Selma.

Messrs W. B. Browne and J. T. Leeper attended the Judicial convention which convened at Jacksonville last Saturday, and nominated Hon. Geo. E. Brewer, as the democratic candidate for this, the seventh Judicial circuit.

Work is being rapidly pushed on the new Methodist parsonage, and will be ready for occupancy in the course of a week or more. When completed it will be a handsome two-story building and quite a credit to the old one torn down.

Geo. W. Parsons, Esq., of Talladega, on the solicitation of Republican and Populist friends has announced himself as a candidate for judge of the 7th Judicial circuit. Mr. Parsons is one of the best lawyers in the State and will make a splendid Judge. He would also make a good chancellor.

Rev. E. A. Burns, with the aid of a large Missionary map of the world, gave a very fine and highly instructive lecture on the religions of the world, at the Baptist church Sunday morning. It was a grand treat and very greatly appreciated by the crowded house of listeners. After the lecture and an interesting rehearsal of the work of missions being done by the different denominations in foreign lands, a most liberal contribution was taken up.

His subject Sunday night was "Conditions of decipleship" which was very instructive.

The "Evening with Edison," an entertainment given in the High School building, last Friday evening, by Miss Susie McGehee, was highly enjoyed by those who were in attendance. The essay on Edison was a true discription of his grand achievements and shows some of the great possibilities of man. The music by the gramophone was a treat, consisting of solos, walt e and comic songs, "De turkey in de straw" being the favorite. The small number present were richly paid for the 25c investment, given for the benefit of the Averyt Memorial fund.

In a recent letter from Washington, D. C., to an old friend, Maj. G. A. Studer, for 20 years United States Consul at Singapore, says: "While at Des Moines I became acquainted with a liniment known as Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I found excellent against rheumatism as well as against soreness of the throat and chest (giving me much easier breathing). I had a touch of pneumonia early this week, and two applications freely applied to the throat and chest relieved me of it at once. I would not be without it for anything." For sale by Williams Bros.

A Mother in Israel Gone.

The Advocate regrets to hear of the death of Grandma Frost, widow of the late Jesse Frost, which occurred at her home in Cahaba Valley last Monday. Forty-seven years ago the writer, then a little boy, first met Grandma Frost at her home on Spring Creek. During her long life she was honored and loved by everybody. She raised a large family of children, many of whom have preceded her to the better world, but many are left to mourn her death. We have not learned the particulars of her death, though we well know that one who lived as she did was prepared for the summons when it came.

Saginaw Dots.

The singing at Frank Wells's Sunday evening was splendid.

John Lukquire, of Yellow Leaf, attended preaching and singing here Sunday.

Thomas Gullihorn, of Clanton, came up to see his best girl Sunday.

Messrs. John Denton and Frank Perdue, of Campbranch, composed a part of the choir Sunday.

Miss Willie Murphy, of Jemison, is visiting friends and relatives in the community.

Rev. Mr. Logan, of the Howard College, delivered an excellent sermon here Sunday.

Miss Lillie Payne, of Campbranch, spent Sunday here with friends.

James Hale and daughters, Mattie and Addie, of Campbranch, attended services here Sunday.

Dr. A. W, Horton went down to the pond the other day to water his horse and shake hands with his intended, for the first time since he went off to college. From all appearances we judge that the operator's message arrived first. That was one time the Dr. wasn't needed with his old patient. After considering the matter he went back Sunday night and had a general reckoning.

PRODITOR.

Beeswax Dots.

Planting cotton seed is the order of the day, and war talk is thrown in for good measure.

John H. Leonard, candidate, was here last week distributing his cards.

R. E. Huston, of near Wilsonville, passed one day last week going to Columbiania on business. He is a hustler and a good man.

Bro. Chadwick, of Fayetteville Circuit, was in attendance on quarterly meeting which was held at Chapell on Saturday and Sunday.

Quarterly meeting was well attended, and a good report from all the work, a large attendance and a good dinner. We will have to congratulate the good ladies of Chapel.

M. F. Riggins, of Yellowleaf, was in attendance on quarterly meeting Saturday.

Beeswax people attended quarterly meeting, and enjoyed the sermons of Dr. Hosmer, presiding elder.

T. C. Archer spent Sunday on Yellowleaf.

A good many Democrats passed here last week, en route to Columbiana to the Democratic convention. I must be mistaken, there are not very many in the county. After the election there wont be any, for Huston is a candidate for circuit clerk, and I hope the good people of Shelby will turn out and nominate him, and we will beat anything in the county for clerk. Mr. Huston is a man well known throughout the county, and we trust all will do all they can for him. He is the man, and is competent. He has been tried to the bottom. Take him when the party started, and take him to-day, and he stands where he did then. Let's come to business and nominate Huston for clerk and all other good men for our offices, and then we will gain the day in August.

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Vincent.

Mrs. M. A. Jennings has returned from Sylacauga, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Porter.

W. D. Rayley paid the Magic City a flying visit last week.

There is some talk of building a college at this place, at least we learn that there is a subscription started, headed with $150, and if all the good citizens would give accordingly it would be an easy matter to build a fine structure. May the good work go on.

Commencement exercises of Vincent high school will begin next week.

Candidates Pearson, Leonard and Deans have been circulating among the voters of Beat 16. It is very important for the voters to come out to the primary.

We have just had a fine rain, and vegetation is on a boom. The wheat and oat crop very promising, beginning to head out. I think the fruit crop will be fine, from present prospects.

I don't hear of anyone who has the war fever save S. D. He says he would go if he thought he wouldn't get hurt.

Who was that passed by me so swift Sunday eve driving the creams? It must have been a drummer; but, no, it wasn't a drummer; it was Stoken and his girl.

OCCASIONAL.

The following is the order of the closing exercises of Vincent Free School:

Wednesday, April 27, 7:30, p. m.—Sermon.

Thursday, April 28, 7:30, p. m.—Exercises by Primary and Intermediate Grades.

Friday, April 29, 9:30, a. m.—Exercises by Advanced Grades and Literary Address.

The public is invited to attend the above exercises.

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Quadrennial General Conference C. M. E. Church, Columbia, S. C., May 4-28, 1898. Reduced rates via Southern Railway.

On account of the meeting of the Quadrennial General Conference of the C. M. E Church at Columbia the Southern Railway will sell tickets from all points on its lines to Columbia at the rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold May 2-4, with final limit May 31, 1898. Call on any agent of the Southern Railway for further information.

Southern Baptist Convention, Norfolk, Va., May 5-12, 1898. Reduced rates via Southern Railway.

On account of the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at Norfolk, Va., May 5-12, 1898, the Southern Railway will sell tickets from all points on its lines to Norfolk and return at rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold May 2-6, inclusive, limited to return fifteen days from date of sale, but if deposited with agent of terminal lines at Norfolk on or before May 16 the return limit will be extended 15 additional days. The schedule via this route is excellent and parties contemplating attending the Southern Baptist Convention should communicate wite the nearest agent of the Southern Railway.

Quadrennial General Conference M. E. Church, South, Baltimore, Md., May 4th-28th, 1899. Reduced rates via Southern Railway.

On account of the Quadrennial General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, at Baltimore May 4-28, 1898, the Southern Railway will sell tickets from all points on its line to Baltimore and return at greatly reduced rates. Tickets will be sold May 2-4, winh final limit May 31, 1898. The schedule accommodations via Southern Railway are most excellent, and parties contemplating attending this meeting and desiring rates, sleeping car reservations, etc., should communicate at once with nearest agent of the Southern Railway.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of one fi. fa. issued from the chancery court of Shelby County, Sixth district northeastern chancery division, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the courthouse, in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 21st day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described property, to-wit:

The east half of the northeast quarter, section 34, township 21, range 3 west. Also one dwelling house and lot in the town of Montevallo, said house is now occupied by H. R. Wells, formerly known as the Tom Wells house; bounded on the south by the Sam Allen lot fronting street running from foot bridge to Southern railroad. All in Shelby County, Ala.

Levied upon as the property of H. R. Wells to satisfy said fi. fa. in my hands in favor of the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited.

This 14th day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

The above sale has been postponed until April 25, 1898

Commissioner's Sale.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, judge of probate for Shelby County, Ala., I, D. C. Davis, as commissioner in said decree named and appointed, will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on the premises near Fourmile church, on Satuaday, the 30th day of April, 1898, during the legal hours of sale, the following described property, viz:

The SW¼ and the S½ of S½ of NW¼, all in Sec. 26, Tp. 20, range 1 east, containing 200 acres, more or less, which said property is held and owned jointly by Mary T. Taylor and her husband, J. N. Taylor, who own six and two-third shares in said property, John Jones who owns one share and Mariah Searight and Emiline Sanders, each of whom owns one-sixth of one share or interest; said sale is to be made for the purpose of making an equitable division between the said joint owners.

D. C. DAVIS, Commissioner.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., April 7th, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made efore the judge of the probate court, at Columbiana, Ala., on May 19th, 1898, viz: Patrick H. O'Neil, Homestead entry No. 26,914, for the NE ¼ of NW ¼, Sec. 34, Tp. 21 south of R 4 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz:

James G. Harris, of Montevallo, Ala.; Phillip H. Harris, of Gurnee, Ala.; Andrew J. Goggins, of Gurnee, Ala.; John H. Harris, of Gurnee, Ala.

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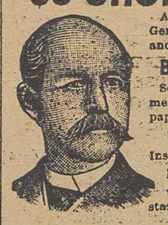

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Condensed Schedule in Effect January 16, 1898.

No. *20	STATIONS.	No. *18
.....	3.25pm lv..Selma..ar	11.23am .....
.....	5.11pm ...Montevallo..	9.25am .....
.....	7.55pm ar..Birm'ham..lv	6.15am .....

No. *26	No. *28	STATIONS.	No. *15	No. *37
4.30am	5.45am	lv ..Akron..ar	6.45pm	6.45pm
5.5 am	6.14am	..Greensboro..	5.29pm	5.37pm
7.25am	7.49am	....Marion....	3.30pm	4.20pm
8.30am	8.30am	...Marion Jct..	2.35pm	3.4 pm
9.50am	9.50am	ar ..Selma..lv	1.50pm	3.50pm

No. *20	No. *16	STATIONS.	No. *15	No. *19
.....	7.25pm	lv New O'l's ar	8.30am	.....
.....	5.30am	lv..Meridian..ar	9.50pm	.....
.....	6.25am	.....York.....	8.40pm	.....
.....	7.32am	...Demopolis...	7.45pm	.....
.....	8.13am	ar..Union'n..lv	7.04pm	.....
.....	8.48am	...Marion Jct..	6.11pm	.....
.....	9.28am	ar (	5.32pm	.....
3.25pm	9.35 am	lv (Selma (ar	5.35pm	11.23am
5.11pm	11.23am	...Montevallo...	3.39pm	9.25am
.....	11.40am	.....Calera.....	3.27pm	.....
.....	12.01pm	..Columbiana..	3.06pm	.....
.....	12.32pm	.Childersburg.	2.37pm	.....
.....	1.2 pm	..Talladega...	2.03pm	.....
.....	2.03pm	.....Oxf'd.....	1.25pm	.....
.....	2.16pm	....Anniston....	1.09pm	.....
.....	2.49pm	..Jacksonville..	12.38pm	.....
.....	3.05pm	..Piedmont....	12.15pm	.....
.....	3.57pm	.Cave Springs..	11.24am	.....
.....	4.35pm	.....Rome.....	10.45am	.....
.....	10.40pm	ar..Atlanta..lv	7.50am	.....

*25	*38	*36	STATIONS	*3	*37	†25
a m	a m	p m		a m	p m	p m
....	6.00	4 15	lv..Birm'ham..ar	11.45	10.00	....
....	7.12	5.28	.... Pell City....	10.25	8.46	....
....	8.10	6 30	.....Anniston.....	9 15	7.42	....
....	8.19	6 38	.....Oxford.....	9 07	7.33	....
....	8.55	7 12	.....Heflin.....	8 32	7.01	....
....	9 05	7 43	..Edwardsville..	8 19	6.50	....
....	9.13	7 53	..Fruithurst..	8 09	6.40	....
5.55	9.30	8 15	...Tallapoosa...	7.47	6.23	7 55
6 16	9 43	8.33	.....Bremen.....	7 27	6.05	7 32
7.23	10.39	9 24	..Douglasville..	6 40	5.16	6 29
7.35	10.49	9 35	..Lithia Springs..	6 30	5.05	6 15
8.25	11.30	10.30	ar ..Atlanta..lv	5 40	4.15	5 15
a m	a m	p m		a m	p m	p m

STATIONS.	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome	.....	4.45pm
Lv Knoxville	8.25am	9.59pm
Ar Morristown	9.50am	10.55pm
Ar Hot Springs	11.46am	12.23am
Ar Asheville	1.15pm	1.39am
Ar Salisbury	5.40pm	6.00am
Ar Greensboro	6.52pm	8.50am
Ar Raleigh	7.10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk	.....	5.25pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

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Ar Cincinnati	7.30am
Ar Louisville	7.27am

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STATIONS.	No. 38	No. 36
Lv Atlanta	12.00pm	11.50pm
Ar Charlotte	8.20pm	9.00am
Ar Danville	12.00am	1.30pm
Ar Lynchburg	1.58am	3.55pm
Ar Charlottesville	3.38am	5.45pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar Baltimore	8.00am	11.25pm
Ar Philadelphia	10.15am	2.55am
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

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All wool Nuns Veiling	10
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Ladies Ribbed Vests	5
Ladies' Oxfords	50
Ladies' Dongola Shoes	$1.00
Ladies' Parasols	50
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Men's Balbriggan Undershirts	25
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Good Y. C. Sugar, 22lbs to the	1.00
Soda, in 1lb packages, 6 for	25

We succeeded in securing a handsome stock of Men's Clothing and Bicycle Suits and Pants from the closing out sale of Hamerslough Bros., which is known for the best in the market, and same we will sell at less than manufacturer's cost.

ALL KINDS OF GROCERIES AT LOWEST PRICES.

We ask for your trade this season feeling that our dealings can not fail to be mutually profitable and satisfactory. In the first place our new line of goods for the season is of high grade and quality, strictly modern in style and very low in price. Come right along for we shall meet your expectations and give you the best of satisfaction.

In addition to each $5 cash purchase we give away a handsome picture with space for photo.

COLUMBIANA MERCANTILE CO.

WAR WITH SPAIN

SEEMS TO BE ALMOST A CERTAINTY!

Up and at 'em, Dad Drat 'em; Let's wipe the Insolent Curs Off the Face of the Earth.

But for the fact that we have so many bargains to offer that our store will be crowded and jammed for the next 30 days we would be ready to join a company and leave for Cuba at once. This is no fairy tale. Run your eyes over the following prices. It will do your soul good and make you feel ten years younger. Remember, for 30 days only these extraordinary prices hold good:

Men's fur hats, worth $1.00, at	$0.65	Dundee percale " 12½ " at	9
" " 1.25, at	95	Dress ginghams " 8 " at	5¼
" " 2.00, at	1.25	Good soft-finish bleach at	4
" " Diamond brand, worth $2.75, at	2.00	Fruit of the Loom at	8¼
" " " 3.50, at	2.50	Heaviest shirting domestic at	4½
Boys' fur hats, worth 50 cent, at	35	9 oz. doeskin jeans at	25
" " 75 "	55	School boy jeans at	15
Men's white dress shirts, worth 75 cents, at	50	Good heavy cotton jeans at	10
" " " $1.00, at	75	10-4 Pepperell sheeting, bleached and unbleached	18¼
Men's fancy bosom dress shirts, worth $1.00, at	85	Ladies' corsets, worth 75 cents, at	50
Men's all-wool underwear, suits worth $2.50, at	1.50	" " 60 cents, at	40
" " " 3.50, at	2.00	Men's heavy overshirts, worth 50 cents, at	35
Cashmere dress goods, worth 35 cents per yard, at	20	" " " 75 cents, at	50
Henrietta " " 35 " at	20	All other dry goods and notions will be closed out at very low prices.	
Brilliantine " " 65 " at	45		
Mohair " " 65 " at	45		

In addition to the above we shall offer magnificent bargains in shoes. When we say bargains we mean all that the word implies. Don't fail to drop in and see our splendid line. If the crowd is too dense in front come around to the back door and we will try to pull you in somehow. Full line of groceries as cheap as the cheapest. A call at our store will convince you we mean business.

Yours, for Bargains, and to whip Spain,

J. H. PAGE & SON.

WRENS, GA.

"Having obtained a box of TETTERINE of Hunter & Wright, of Louisville, Ga., which I used on a case of itching piles of five years' standing. I spent $50 for different kinds of remedies and the skill of doctors, all for no good, until I got the TETTERINE. I am now well. Accept thanks." Yours, W. R. KING.

By mail for 50c in stamps by J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

A Good Dictionary For Two Cents.

A dictionary containing 10,000 of the most useful words in the English language, is published by the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y. While it contains some advertising, it is a complete dictionary, concise and correct. In compiling this book care has been taken to omit none of those common words whose spelling or exact use occasions at times a momentary difficulty, even to well educated people. The main aim has been to give as much useful information as possible in a limited space. To those who already have a dictionary, this book will commend itself because it is compact, light and convenient; to those who have no dictionary whatever, it will be invaluable. One may be secured by writing to the above concern, mentioning this paper, and enclosing a two-cent stamp.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

WEST & TRUAX, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio.

WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Winfield Scott Schley is nearly 59 years old and has a high character in the navy, both for his head and nervous fineness. He is a man of good size and amiable in address, with a twinkle between fun and fight.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

Prof. J. W. Hoffman, of the State Colored college at Orangeburg, S. C., who was elected a fellow of the American Geographical society the other day, is the first colored man to be so honored.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Berlin pays a salary to the professional bird-catcher, whose duty it is to provide scientific institutions with birds, nests and eggs. He is the only man in the German empire permitted to do so.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Lake Huron divers have accomplished the feat of recovering a cargo of 600 tons of copper from a wreck submerged to a depth of 160 feet, where it had lain for the past thirty-two years.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

There are 55 dogs in the United Kingdom to every 1000 inhabitants.

Scarlet flowers are said to stand drouth better than any others.

Lyon & Co's Pick Leaf

Extra Smoking Tobacco—rich, ripe and fragrant. Beats the world. Try it.

It is estimated that 1130 passenger trains arrive and leave Chicago daily.

In Ireland an acre comprises 7840 square yards, while in Scotland 6140 go to the acre.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.
Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

Schnectady, N. Y., was a century old on the 31st ult.

The 45 States of the Union have about 65,000 convicts.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

The district of Bagdad, Turkey, in Asia, furnishes a wool, the best grades of which are used in the manufacture of worsteds, such as braids and sweaters.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

I have found Piso's Cure for Consumption an unfailing medicine.—F. R. LOTZ, 1305 Scott St., Covington, Ky., Oct., 1, 1894.

How Are You This Spring?

Tired, nervous?
Can't get rested?
Tortured with boils, humors?

That is not strange. Impurities have been accumulating in your blood during winter and it has become impoverished. This is the experience of most people. Therefore they take Hood's Sarsaparilla to purify their blood in spring.

"My daughter was run down and tired while in school, and I have been giving her Hood's Sarsaparilla, which has purified her blood and built her up, and she is now getting well and strong. I have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla myself with excellent results, and whenever we have any little ailment we resort to this medicine. It keeps me in good health and good spirits, and makes me feel younger. My husband has been taking Hood's Pills, and says he never found any he liked as well." MRS. JENNIE PFABZGRAF, 424 Warren Street, New York, N. Y. Remember

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is America's Greatest Medicine. Sold by all druggists. $1; six for $5. Get only Hood's.

Hood's Pills are the only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

PILES

"I suffered the tortures of the damned with protruding piles brought on by constipation with which I was afflicted for twenty years. I ran across your CASCARETS in the town of Newell, Ia., and never found anything to equal them. To-day I am entirely free from piles and feel like a new man."
C. H. KEITZ, 1411 Jones St., Sioux City, Ia.

CANDY CATHARTIC
Cascarets
TRADE MARK REGISTERED
REGULATE THE LIVER

Pleasant. Palatable. Potent. Taste Good. Do Good. Never Sicken, Weaken, or Gripe. 10c, 25c, 50c.
... CURE CONSTIPATION. ...
Sterling Remedy Company, Chicago, Montreal, New York. 312

NO-TO-BAC Sold and guaranteed by all druggists to CURE Tobacco Habit.

MEN AND WOMEN WANTED
TO TRAVEL for old established house. Permanent position. $40 per month and all expenses. P. W. ZIEGLER & CO., 288 Locust St., Phila.

Am. N. U. No. 16, 1898.

PISO'S CURE FOR
CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS.
Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.
CONSUMPTION
25 CTS

THE REALM OF FASHION.

Charming Waist For a Miss.

Gray cashmere, plaid ribbon and silk embroidered edging combined, to make this charming waist, which, says May Manton, is as simple in con-

MISSES' WAIST OF GRAY CASHMERE.

struction as it is stylish in effect. A fitted lining, made with the usual darts and seams, closes in the center front, over which the Russian blouse with left side closing is effected. The yoke is simulated by rows of insertion overlaid by alternate rows of the narrow plaid ribbon, the pattern providing for the shape on both back and front. The fashionable sleeves are closely fitted by double seams, the full epaulette being gathered at the top, falls in graceful folds. The blouse or pouch effect is confined to the front, the back being drawn in slight fulness at waist line, the under arm portions presenting a smooth appearance. This design is suitable for wash fabrics as well as for wool or silk and bright-hued chambrays, plaid ginghams, flower-sprigged organdie and other cotton goods can be charmingly decorated with lace or embroidered edging and insertion in this style. Velvet or satin ribbon, braid, gimp or applique bands will effectively trim waists of wool or silk, and the lace can be omitted if not desired. The yoke and epaulettes can also be of contrasting material, a useful suggestion where a garment has to be made over. To cut this waist for a miss of fourteen years two yards of material forty-four inches wide will be required.

by both young and middle aged ladies, the former preferring generally to omit the stole front. A handsome silk or satin brocade lining adds much to the attractiveness of this dainty top garment, which can also be developed satisfactorily in silk, satin or cloth, or of material to math the gown.

Braid in different designs, passementerie, fringe, ruchings or moss trimming, will provide suitable decoration.

To make this cape for a lady of medium size two and one-quarter yards of material twenty-four inches wide will be required.

Bonnets and Ribbons.

Small bonnets are henceforth to be tied on with small strings. Narrow ribbons are in use for this purpose now, and the ribbons tie in quite a respectable arrangement of loops and ends just under the chin. Later on the most becoming little wreaths of violets, forget-me-nots and cowslips, fastened flat on strings of net, are to be adopted as chin straps with gauzy theatre bonnets. These last are scarcely more than little whiffs of white tulle, or gauze sprinkled with black spangles and garnished with a tuft of roses on one side.

Japanese Lawns To Be in Demand.

Japanese lawns will be in demand this summer. They will be found in bright colors and figured with all the quaint floral designs of the Orient. This lawn comes in different weights, and some of it is inexpensive, and they are very wide. Flowered muslins were never more charming, and wise women will make their selections at once before the novelties are disposed of. Black and white effects over both black and white foundations are good form, and they can be worn for many different occasions.

LADIES' PELERINE CAPE.

Ladies' Pelerine Cape.

The handsome wrap is the velvet wrap, declares May Manton, and the shorter it is made the daintier it seems.

One of the very newest styles is shown in the large engraving in black velvet decorated with jeweled applique bands and edged with fine plisse of mousseline de soie.

The single stole end is a new feature that may be omitted if not desired, the cape being perfect without it, as shown in the small sketch.

The yoke and collar are cut together, being shaped in six sections that fit the neck comfortably, and can either be joined to the top or left partly open, to form tabs through which the plaited mousseline falls with a soft, becoming effect. Each section should be interlined with canvas before joining.

The cape or pelerine portion is shaped in circular outline and joined to the lower edge of yoke, the stole being joined to the right front section of yoke.

A very handsome jeweled buckle decorates the front, the closing being invisible in centre.

Smart capes in this style are worn

Ladies' Dressing Sacque.

The utility of this comfortable negligee will be readily recognized. It is here represented in fine French cambric trimmed with embroidered edging and narrow insertion. The full fronts join the back in under-arm seams, the tops being gathered and arranged on the lower edges of the deeply pointed yoke. The closing is effected by buttons and buttonholes through an applied box plait in center front. A turn over collar completes the neck. Moderately full bishop sleeves are gathered top and bottom, straight wrist bands and a frill of embroidery giving a graceful finish. Flannel, cashmere, china silk, cambric, nainsook, lawn in plain, striped or figured varieties may all be used to develop this useful sacque. Lace or embroidered edging, feather stitching

LADIES' DRESSING SACQUE.

or frills of the material will provide a suitable finish. Drawn to the figure with a girdle of ribbon deftly tied at the left side, this garment may be made quite attractive and becoming. To cut this sacque for a lady of medium size three and one-half yards of material thirty-six inches wide will be required.

OUR BUDGET OF HUMOR.

LAUGHTER-PROVOKING STORIES FOR LOVERS OF FUN.

Truth is Mighty—A Doubtful Compliment—In the Museum—One Exception—Necessary Precaution—A Perfect Simile—A New View—Counted on Him, Etc.

My dearest friend and I one day,
While in a truthful spell,
Agreed on this, that come what may
Each other's faults we'd tell.
We pointed out the facts and fears
For less than half a week,
And now it's quite a dozen years
Since we were known to speak.
—Detroit Free Press

A Doubtful Compliment.

Miss Emancipated—"I hope I have succeeded in making myself plain."

Oldbach—"Madam, it was an unnecessary effort."—New York Journal.

His Bent.

Mrs. Flint (suspiciously)—"Have you no bent for anything?"

Seldum Fedd (at the door)—"Yes, Ma'am; I'm a contortionist by profession."—Puck.

Filling His Order.

"Waiter, what's all that noise, like a pile-driving machine at work?"

"That's the cook pounding your beefsteak. You ordered tenderloin, I believe, sir."—Judge.

A New View.

Gertie—"Do you believe in long engagements?"

Maud—"No; because it doesn't enable one to crowd many of them into a season."—Puck.

Landed on His Feet.

She—"I like your impudence. I haven't quite reached the bargain counter yet."

He—"You would be a bargain on any counter."—Harper's Bazar.

A Perfect Simile.

"Yes, sir, those Klondike people treated me like a dog."

"Like a dog?"

"Yes. I mean that they couldn't have treated me any better."—Cleveland Plaindealer.

Counted on Him.

Miss Gotrox—"Mr. Dedbroke proposed to me last night, papa."

Mr. Gotrox—"Well, I like his nerve."

Miss Gotrox—"Yes, I thought you would, and so I accepted him."—New York Journal.

In the Museum.

India Rubber Man—"The manager is going to bring some freaks over from Europe."

The Sword Swallower (hotly)—"It ought to be stopped! How can we compete with the pauper freaks of Europe?"—Puck.

Necessary Precaution.

Miss Saint Clair—"But, dear, why are you so very particular about making calls only in perfect weather?"

Miss Vere de Vere—"Why, my child, if I didn't go on the very loveliest days I might find some one at home!"—Judge.

Felicity.

Mrs. Crimsonbeak—"I read in the paper, the other day, that during the first day of her married life a Korean bride must not speak, not even to her husband. It is considered a very reprehensible breach of etiquette."

Mr. Crimsonbeak—"Now, that's something like a honeymoon."

Didn't Look Strong.

While Maggie and her mother were away on their vacation Mr. Newcomb took the opportunity to paint their wood-colored house white.

"Don't you like it, Maggie?" asked her father on the little lady's return.

"I would, papa," she replied slowly, "if—if it wasn't so awfully pale."

A Self-Made Expert.

"Who is that tall man surrounded by the eager crowd?"

"That's Gibbs. He is giving 'em his opinon on the scientific phases of the theories advanced for the Maine disaster."

"What does he know about it?"

"Nothing."—Chicago Plain Dealer.

One Exception.

The Philosopher—"Tell me what a person reads and I can tell you what he is."

The Dyspeptic—"Not always. There's my wife, for instance; she is always reading a cook book."

The Philosopher (confidently)—"Well?"

The Dyspeptic—"Well, she's no cook!"—Puck.

Modern Instruction.

"Well, Tommy, what did you learn at the kindergarten to-day?" asked the boy's father.

"How to make a caterpillar out of clay," said Tommy.

"And was it a good one?"

"I guess not," said Tommy; "I couldn't make it crawl without breaking its back, so I rolled it up into a ball and played marbles with it, and won five glass agates from Bobby Jones."—Harper's Bazar.

"Fighting Like Kilkenny Cats."

During the Irish Rebellion in 1803 Kilkenny was garrisoned by a troop of Hessian soldiers whose brutality was their chief characteristic. One of their choicest amusements was the tying together of two cats by their tails and throwing them over a line to fight to the death.

This cruel practice was discovered by the officers, who resolved to stop it. Accordingly a strict watch was kept.

One day the tramp of the officer was heard on the stairs as the men were again indulging in the brutal amusement in one of the rooms. A guilty trooper hastily seized a sword and cut the tails in two as the cats hung over the line and the animals escaped.

The officer made his appearance and demanded an explanation concerning the two bleeding tails. He was calmly informed that two cats had been fighting and had actually devoured each other, all but their tails.—New York World.

Earth's Oldest Trees.

Some of the oldest trees in the world are to be found in Great Britain. The tree called William the Conqueror's oak, in Windor Park, is supposed to be 1200 years old. The famous Bentley and Winfarthing oaks are at least two centuries older.

The Cause of Dyspepsia.

From the Republican, Scranton, Penna.

The primary cause of dyspepsia is lack of vitality; the absence of nerve force; the loss of the life-sustaining elements of the blood.

No organ can properly perform its function when the source of nutriment fails. When the stomach is robbed of the nourishment demanded by nature, assimilation ceases, unnatural gases are generated; the entire system responds to the discord.

A practical illustration of the symptoms and torture of dyspepsia is furnished by the case of Joseph T. Vandyke, 440 Hickory St., Scranton, Pa.

In telling his story, Mr. Vandyke says: "Five years ago I was afflicted with a trouble of the stomach, which was very aggravating. I had no appetite, could not enjoy myself at any time, and especially was the trouble severe when I awoke in the morning. I did not know what the ailment was, but it became steadily worse and I was in constant misery.

In Misery.

"I called in my family physician, and he diagnosed the case as catarrh of the stomach. He prescribed for me and I had his prescription filled. I took nearly all of the medicine, but still the trouble became worse, and I felt that my condition was hopeless. I tried several remedies recommended by my friends but without benefit. After I had been suffering several months, Thomas Campbell, also a resident of this city, urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

"He finally persuaded me to buy a box and I began to use the pills according to directions. Before I had taken the second box I began to feel relieved, and after taking a few more boxes, I considered myself restored to health. The pills gave me new life, strength, ambition and happiness."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure dyspepsia by restoring to the blood the requisite constituents of life, by renewing the nerve force and enabling the stomach to promptly and properly assimilate the food. These pills are a specific for all diseases having their origination in impoverished blood or disordered nerves. They contain every element requisite to general nutrition, to restore strength to the weak, good health to the ailing.

Past Caring.

Here's Mr. Joseph Jefferson's latest story. He told it the other evening at a banquet up in New England somewhere.

"I am reminded," said Mr. Jefferson, in the course of some remarks, "of what once occurred to me. I was crossing the Atlantic. The weather was dreadful. I was trying to guide myself along the deck, and, incidentally, to aid others. In this mission I ran across a lady lying prostrate on the deck, evidently sorely troubled with that dreadful disease, sea sickness.

"I said to her, 'Madam, may I bring you anything to relieve you?'

"She looked at me feebly and said: 'I beg you will not mention it. Will you also kindly excuse me, sir?'

"I then said to her: 'But is there nothing I can do for you?'

"'No, sir,' said she, in the same tone. 'Please go away.'

"'But, madam,' I said, 'you are evidently suffering. Can I do anything to help you?'

"'I wish,' said she, 'that you would go away. I am not fit to see any one.'

"'I am sorry, madam,' I persisted, 'that I can be of so little service. Can I do nothing for your poor husband, the gentleman whose head I see in your lap?'

"'Oh,' said she, 'that is not my husband. I do not know in the least who he is.'"—New York Telegram.

The Famous Annahar Glen Is About Two Miles Long.

The famous glen of Drumtochty which Ian Maclaren introduced to the world is called Annahar and is a very lovely spot. Drumtochty is a maze of golden bloom in the summer and autumn and the brilliant blossoms make a gorgeous carpet. From the hills about Drumtochty a rivulet flows through Annahar glen and there on the northern slope stands Drumtochty castle, which is very old. The glen is about two miles long, is well wooded and contains a few cottages for the servants on the castle estate, but in his fiction Ian Maclaren has added buildings with a poet's license.

Flattery on Ice.

He told her she was stunning,
Her smile was very sweet;
Just then, somehow, in turning,
They slipped and lost their feet!
He fell, and she fell on him,
And, as in pain he lay,
"Ah, yes, indeed, you're stunning!"
Was all that he could say.

He Told the Truth.

"Liquor," said the temperance orator, 'causes nearly all the unhappiness there is in this world."

"That's right, Colonel!" exclaimed a Kentuckian in the back of the hall. "I'm always unhappy when I can't get it."

After asking "How's all the folks?" the subject for conversation with kin folks is exhausted.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

The Chinese emblem of the dragon consists of a five clawed imperial dragon, suspended to a yellow ribbon, and has the following description in Chinese characters: "Before it the lion turns pale and the tiger is silent."

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Unbolted Automatically.

In Europe the elevator affords so many chances for accidents that it is surprising so few occur. Of course, the larger hotels and stores have elevators which are in the hands of competent people who operate them; but in many small hotels and private houses and shops the "lifts" are operated entirely from the ground floor. When a person wishes to go up in the elevator he tells the attendant the number of the floor he wishes to stop at. An index is moved to that number and the car is started up. When the car reaches the proper floor, the elevator stops and the door is unbolted by the car itself. Thus as the car passes each floor the door into the elevator shaft is unbolted automatically for an instant until the car begins to rise past the floor. It is possible for a person to open the door at this time and fall into the elevator shaft. He seldom does, however; they move more cautiously on the other side of the water than on this.

The women always regard a man with suspicion, after a stray baby has been left at his door.

Love and reason are seldom on speaking terms.

HORRORS OF OPIUM
CAN BE CURED.

"I Feel in Fancy As if Awakened From an Uneasy Dream in My Relief From the Superhuman Power of Morphine."

DR. B. M. WOOLLEY,
Atlanta, Ga.:

Dear Sir—I feel myself wholly inadequate to the task I am undertaking, and yet, in one respect, I may perhaps claim to be qualified. To express my appreciation and gratitude to God and yourself as His almost superhuman agents, for my complete restoration to real life, and I fondly hope a future useful manhood, is a task of which I am totally incompetent. But to speak of my emotions, when I recognize of a truth that I have been emancipated from the bondage of a tyrant, more cruel and relentless than ever swayed scepter over a helpless people, I may find words to feebly express. I do not wish to indicate that I have a mind of commanding powers, yet I hope it may exhibit at least a heart of deepest gratitude.

Fifteen years ago I was the victim of severe acute rheumatism; my suffering was intense and almost unbearable. Three noted physicians in succession failed in their honest endeavors to give me relief. The fourth, my favorite, who was indisposed himself, when I was first attacked, finally came to my bedside. He, in his anxiety and sympathy to lull the pain and induce sleep, thought best to give me at intervals a small quantity of morphine. Ignorant of its wonderful power, I continued its use for several days, and then it was that I awoke to the sad realization that I was bound in chains which no human power or will could break asunder. Since the fatal hour I became an involuntary and unconscious victim of that fascinating and yet most potent drug, as the greatest enemy and destroyer of human hope and ambition, mine has been a weary pilgrimage in the dark, ever dying, yet could not die. Many times during the passing of those fifteen long and dreary years, and especially since the death of one of the best women that ever wore the sacred crown of wife, I was tempted to snap asunder the silver cord of life and leap to meet the nameless terrors of the great unknown. And if perchance I had committed the awful deed the world would have cried out "insane," whereas nothing else could have been less true. One day, about nine months ago, while suffering the horrors of Dante's mimic hell, there came to me in my delirium the thought to go and tell my tale of suffering and despair to Dr. Woolley. Perhaps he can and will cause the very darkness of night to show the approach of morning. I wandered to your office, as you know, in a condition suggestive of being ready to cross the dark and troubled wave of death. I told you of my slavery to a habit which deserves the pity of every intelligent and charitable person on earth, and cried to you for help. After a careful diagnosis of my case, and learning how long I had used Opiates or Morphine, and the quantity necessary to sustain me at the time, you prepared for me a bottle of your invaluable Antidote, and from that glad hour I have neither wanted, needed nor used a grain of Morphine, Opium or other Opiate. After commencing the use of your Antidote my general health began to improve, wretchedness and despair that had been my constant companions, by degrees deserted me, and one month ago I realized that my system no longer required the use of your Antidote, and that I was indeed a free man. I am pleased to report that my health is constantly improving. I weigh today thirty pounds more than I did. I have some of the last bottle of your Antidote, and will preserve and keep it as a sacred relic of my restoration from midnight darkness into the bright light of day and happiness.

In looking back upon my unhappy, unreal past, I feel in fancy as if awakened from an uneasy dream, to look upon life with wide-open eyes, and active mind that understood its realities. A few short months ago I was bound and in a barren desert whose level waste stretched back to the tomb where Ambition was left to starve, and sweet Content lay festering in her shroud. Yet, with my release from the almost super-human power of Morphine, my bonds are broken asunder, my chains are rent in twain, and at last after all my longing, all my hoping, all my despairing, I can walk forth into the beautiful sunlight of heaven, into "Eden's sweetest greening" free as a bird on its wing, and in stature a man. The God I called upon was not deaf. God has heard. God has answered, through you, his most favored instrument. Yours truly,

J. C. FORD.

Atlanta, Ga., March 6, 1898.

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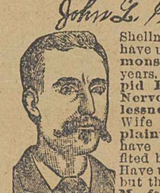

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HAVANA WILL BE BOMBARDED.

British Consul Gullon Has Notified the City Officials of the Attack.

INHABITANTS OF HAVANA TERROR STRICKEN

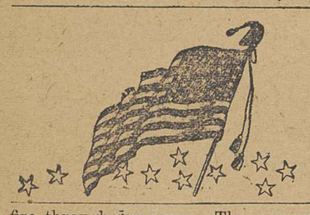
Blanco is Marshaling His Land Forces to Repel the American Invaders—General Pando to be Placed in Charge of Spanish Army—Rebels Active.

A special to Monday morning's Age-Herald from Havana says:

Havana knows it is to be bombarded, and is on the verge of a panic in consequence.

The news came in a notification to British Consul Gullon by his government that warning of the bombardment had been given by the United States.

The news spread over the city like



fire through dry grass. The newspapers all prepared extras, but the censor at the palace crossed out every line of the news. They appealed to Blanco, but he told the editors he did not want the city alarmed, and would not permit the fact that the bombardment was imminent to be made public. But the news spread from lip to lip. It is pitiful to watch the women of Havana; the streets are full of them, and nearly one looks on the verge of hysterics. The government is doing all it can to keep the excitement down.

The new sand batteries and several thousand troops are waiting to repulse the landing party of the United States.

General Pando will be placed in charge of the Spanish troops. He is expected in Havana, and will probably be placed in direct charge of the Spanish army massed for the defense of the city. Mor troops are arriving from the interior of the island.

Rebels have blown up a troop train ten miles from the city. The train was ditched and ten men were injured. The engineer and firemen were killed.

Srturday night the city was tremendously excited by cannon firing from Moro Castle. About a dozen discharges convinced everybody that the bombardment had begun. The newspapers telephoned to Moro Castle and received a message that the American cruiser New York ard steamed into within three miles and had been fired upon.

MORO CASTLE OPENED FIRE.

For the Second Time She Turned Loose Her Batteries on U. S. Fleet.

During the early hours of Sunday morning the Moro Castle batteries at Havana again opened fire on the fleet, but without the slightest effect. There have been no casualties among our forces up to Sunday morning and not a single shot has been fired against the batteries.

At 3 o'clock Sunday morning the Detroit made a rich haul, capturing the large Spanish merchant steamer Catalina, bound from New Orleans for Cadiz with cotton, oil and staves. She also captured a large quantity of provisions which she intended to land in Havana.

Ensign Christy from the Detroit, naval Cadet Jones, from the New York and four marines and sixteen blue jackets were placed on board of her and she steamed off for Key West.

Call for 125,000 Volunteers.

The president Saturday issued proclamation, calling for 125,000 troops, the same to be proportioned as far as practicable, among the several states and territories and of the District of Columbia according to the population, and to serve two years, unless sooner discharged. The details for this object will be immediately communicated to the proper authorities through the war department.

EASTERN FLEET WILL SAIL.

The American Squadron at Hong Kong Will Attack Manila.

The American squadron at Hong Kong, according to a special dispatch from Shanghai, has sailed for Manila, which it will attack. The dispatch says: Three steamers recently purchased by the United States government will follow the fleet with coal. The approaches to Manila are mined. It is reported that the priests and the commercial classes in the Philippines are in favor of a peaceful surrender rather than to suffer a bombardment, but that the military are determined to resist.

Annulled by Gen. Miles.

A battalion of the Nineteenth infantry, Capt. Vernon, commanding, from Fort Brady, Mich., passed Birmingham en route to Mobile. The troops were proceeding via the Mobile & Ohio railroad, but at Corinth, Miss., received a telegram from Gen. Brooke ordered them to Chickamauga. The train started to Chattanooga over the Memphis & Charleston railroad, but at Tuscumbia a telegram was received from Gen. Miles annuling Gen. Brooke's orders. The train then proceeded to Mobile via Decatur.

SPANISH STRENGTH.

Has Now Fifty-Eight Ships in Cuba and Porto Rican Waters.

A special from Washington says: Resistance attempted by the Spanish vessels now in Cuban and Porto Rican waters to the blockade instituted by the North Atlantic squadron will be followed by their destruction.

Although Spain has a total of fifty-eight ships distributed in Cuban and Porto Rican waters, no doubt exists in official circles of the ability of the North Atlantic squadron to easily destroy those which it will meet in the vicinity of Cuba.

Of the Spanish force the largest cruiser, the Alfonso XII, 3,900 tons displacement, lies in a disabled condition in Havana harbor and it is expected that it will remain there until the American flag displaces that of Spain.

Spain's next largest ship in Cuban waters is the cruiser Reina Mercedes, of 3,090 tons, built in 1887, which is regarded as a very good vessel of her type. The only other ship which American men-of-war have to fear are seven torpedo vessels: The Filipinas, of 750 tons and twenty knots; the Jorge Juan, of 935 tons and thirteen knots; the Nueva Espana, of 630 tons and 18.6 knots, and the Galacia, the Marquese de Molins, the Martin Alonzo and the Vincente Yanez, each of 571 tons and 18.6 knots.

Four cruisers of between 1,100 and 1,200 tons are distributed around the island. In addition to this force, Spain has stationed in Cuban waters a large number of gunboats, ranging in displacement from 500 to 20 tons.

TO INVADE CUBA.

More Than One Hundred Thousand Men Will be Landed on the Island.

Four army corps are to invade Cuba. This will place a force of 120,000 American soldiers in the island. The

MAJ. GEN. MILES.

volunteer army called into existence will be merged with the regulars. To command this army it will be necessary to have ten major-generals and thirty brigadier-generals. The president will appoint these general officers as well as the staff. Major-General Miles will remain in command, and will go to Cuba with the army of occupation. The amalgamated armies will be divided into corps, divisions and brigades.

WOODFORD IN PARIS.

The Minister Had an Exciting Ride Through Spain.

Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, United States minister to Spain, accompanied by the party with which he left Madrid, arrived in Paris Friday morning, after some exciting experiences. The Spanish police attempted to capture a member of the legation and at Valladolid the train was attacked. Mr. Moreno was the member of the United States legation singled out by the Spanish police for capture on the ground that he is a subject of Spain, but the attempt was frustrated owing to the presence of mind of the minister. At Valladolid the Unitd States minister's train was attacked and stoned. Windows were broken and the civil guards compelled to protect his carriage with drawn swords. The Spanish police made a determined effort to get Mr. Moreno, but Gen. Woodford stood in the doorway of the carriage, declaring he should only be removed by force. A detachment of police accompanied the train from Toloso to San Sebastian, where the police officials left, on seeing that the general was determined to maintain his rights.

GENERAL GARY RESIGNS.

Charles Emory Smith, Editor Philadelphia Press, is His Successor.

Postmaster-General Gary has resigned, and Charles Emory Smith, of Pennsylvania, has been named as his successor. In his letter to the president Mr. Gary stated that his only reason for leaving the cabinet was the serious condition of his health.

Charles Emory Smith, the new postmaster-general, is at present editor of the Philadelphia Press. He has been minister to Russia, is an earnest, active republican, and known to public men throughout the United States.

Gigantic Mail Robbery.

A mail bag consigned to J. M. Hammill, attorney for the Louisville & Nashville road at Belleville, Ill., was stolen from an express wagon in Belleville, Ill. The bag is said to have contained letters, official documents and a registered letter, in which were several drafts for almost $30,000.

Right of Privateering.

The conservative organ, El Epoca, at Madrid, says that Spain will not renounce the right of privateering.

FEARED TO CROSS THE OCEAN.

Spaniards Disabled Their Own Boat—Treacherous Plot by Engineers.

The British steamer Asloun arrived at Galveston, Tex., Friday from Las Palmas, Grand Canary, one of the Canary Islands group. The commander of the vessel is Capt. P. H. Barnett. Captain Barnett arrived at Las Palmas March 31, two days after the Spanish torpedo flotilla left that port. The ma-

QUEEN REGENT OF SPAIN.

chinery of the several torpedo-boats and torpedo-boat-destroyers was purposely disabled by the engineers of the various crafts. Captain Barnett says he received this information from absolutely reliable sources. A plot was entered into by the several engineers to do the work, and successfully it was done. The engineers, crew, and many of the officers did not relish the trip across the ocean in torpedo-boats, and finding the Spanish government determined to make them go, as a last resort crippled the machinery. In proof that the machinery was purposely disabled, none of the engineers of the torpedo flotilla were allowed to repair it, the work being done by a local machine shop at Las Palmas.

Captain Barnett says he obtained it from an unquestioned source that the torpedo flotilla did not want to encounter a United States fleet if it could be avoided. They will likely keep out of the track of our vessels, and may content themselves with picking up an occasional prize.

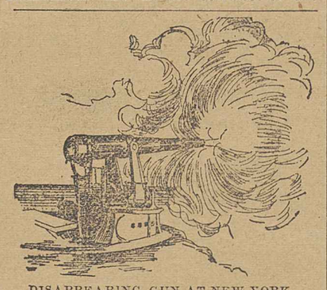
The torpedo flotilla left Las Palmas March 29, and its destination was unknown.

PROTEST AGAINST INTERVENTION

Cuban "Colonial" Government Says We Intervened on the Eve of New Regime.

HAVANA.—The colonial government has published a manifesto "protesting against the intervention of the United States at the moment of the establishment of the new regime and political liberty, and when Cuba, for the first time, was going to elect a colonial parliament, replacing Spain's sovereignty in Cuba with autonomy."

The manifesto also intimates that it is the intention of the United States to annex Cuba, and adds: "It is the duty of all inhabitants to repel the invaders. Remember the heroic conduct of the



DISAPPEARING GUN AT NEW YORK.

defenders off Havana over a century ago against the invaders of Albemarle" (referring to the British invasion).

The manifesto concludes with acclaiming Spain, Spanish Cuba, the king and queen regent.

Blanco's Sweeping Decree.

Captain-General Blanco has published a decree confirming his previous decrees and declaring the island to be in a state of war. He also annuls his former similar decrees granting pardon to insurgents and places under martial law all those who are guilty of treason, espionage, crimes against peace or against the independence of the nation, seditious revolts, attacks against the form of government or against the authorities and against those who disturb public order, though only by means of printed matter.

The Paris May Be Intercepted.

The steamer Paris, of the American Line, chartered by the United States government, sailed from Southampton Friday for New York. She had on board 150 passengers, and her cargo included a quantity of guns and ammunition. There was great enthusiasm among the crowds on the dock at Southampton and the bands of the steamer played "Yankee Doodle" as the Paris steamed seaward.

The Spanish embassy in London notified Madrid of the departure of the City of Paris. It is probable that fast cruisers from Cadiz will try to intercept her.

The Jacobinos With Us.

The Brazilian Jacobinos favor the United States in the coming war between this country and Spain. The Pals, the Jacobino organ, says: "We are with the United States, which is giving Europe a daring example of making sacrifices for a people's liberty."

Prominent Nashville Merchant Killed.

Louis Bernheim, aged 68, a prominent merchant of Nashville, was run down by a negro man on a bicycle, while en route to church, and so badly injured that he died. His skull was fractured.

CUBAN PORTS BLOCKADED.

The President Issues Proclamation to the World That the United States

INSTITUTES AND WILL MAINTAIN BLOCKADE

Of the North Coast of Cuba, Including Ports Between Cardenas and Bahai and Honda, and the Port of Cienfuegos on the South Coast of the Island.

The following proclamation announcing a blockade of Cuban ports was issued Friday:

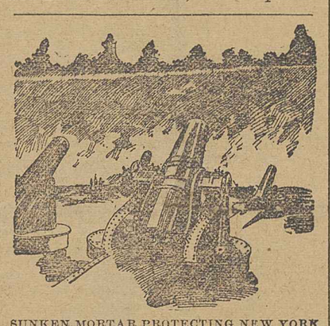
"By the president of the United States:

A Proclamation.

"Whereas, by joint resolution passed by the congress and approved April 20, 1898, and communicated to the government of Spain, it was demanded that said government at once relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba and withdraw its land and naval from Cuba and Cuban waters, and the president of the United States was directed and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States and to call into actual service the militia of the several states to such extent as may be necessary to carry said resolution into effect; and

"Whereas, In carrying into effect said resolution the president of the United States deems it necessary to set on foot and maintain a blockade of the north coast of Cuba, including all ports on said coast between Cardenas and Bahia Honda, and the port of Cienfuegos on the south coast of Cuba;

"Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, president of the United States, in order to enforce the said resolution, do hereby declare and proclaim that the United States of America have instituted and will maintain a blockade of the north coast of Cuba, including ports on said coast between Cardenas and Bahai and Honda, and the port of



SUNKEN MORTAR PROTECTING NEW YORK

Cienfuegos on the south coast of Cuba, aforesaid, in pursuance of the laws of the United States and the laws of nations applicable to such cases. An efficient force will be posted so as to prevent the entrance and exit of vessels from the ports aforesaid. Any neutral vessel approaching any of said ports, or attempting to leave the same, without notice or knowing of the establishment of such blockade, will be duly warned by the commander of the blockading forces, who will endorse on her the fact and the date of such warning, and where such endorsement was made; and if the same vessel shall again attempt to enter any blockaded port she will be captured and sent to the nearest convenient port for such proceedings against her and cargo as may be deemed advisable.

"Neutral vessels lying in any of said ports at the time of the establishment of such blockade will be allowed thirty days to issue therefrom.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Washington, this 22d day of April, A. D. 1898, and of the independence of the United States the one hundredth and twenty-second.

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

"By the President: John Sherman, Secretary of State."

To Pass Declaration of War.

A resolution formally declaring war against Spain will be introduced in the congress of the United States Monday. The decision to do so has been reached after mature deliberation in order to safeguard the interests of the United States.

SPAIN CALLS OUT RESERVES.

Patriotic Enthusiasm Reigns Throughout Spanish Provinces.

MADRID (Special).—A royal decree has been gazetted calling out 30,000 men of the reserves of 1897. All the persons who have been consulted by the queen regent have advised a continuance of the Sagasta cabinet. It is probable, however, that the minister of marine, Admiral Bemujo, will insist upon resigning in order to take command of a squadron. Patriotic enthusiasm reigns throughout Madrid and the Spanish provinces.

The New York Captures the Pedro.

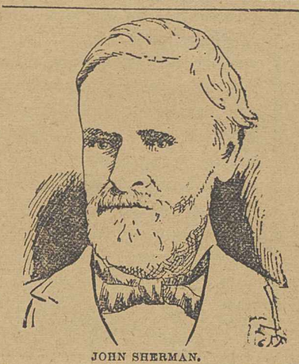
The Spanish tramp steamer Pedro, from Antwerp for Santa Cruz and Pensacola, which was captured by the United States flagship New York, was brought to Key West Saturday under her own steam, but in charge of a prize crew under Lieutenant Capebart. She is owned by the Navigation Company of Bilboa, is of 1,628 tons net register, and has on board a crew of thirty-six men.

The report that Spain had captured the steamer City of Paris on her way from Southampton to the United States is denied.

SHERMAN'S RESIGNATION

Requested by the President—John W. Foster Will Probably Succeed.

It is announced that Secretary Sherman's resignation will be asked for by the president, perhaps as early as Wednesday. John W. Foster, who succeeded Blaine in President Harri-



JOHN SHERMAN.

son's cabinet and one of the best known diplomats in the country is the talk as the next premier. The president would like to advance Judge Day, the present assistant secretary of state to the premiership, but it is thought by the party managers that a stronger man is required at this crisis.

THE SPANISH FLOTILLA

Has Left Cape Verde Islands and Is Coming to Cuban Waters.

A special from Washington Sunday says:

The officials of the navy department were thrown into a fever of excitement Sunday by information from their confidential sources abroad that the Spanish flotilla had sailed from the Cape Verde islands several days ago. An intimation to that effect was received last night and when apparently corroborative information was received today it was thought the part of discretion to take all possible precautionary measures. Acting on last night's intimation the Minneapolis and Columbia were dispatched to sea on scout duty, they being the fastest cruisers in the United States navy and capable of bringing news of any approaching enemy before that enemy could arrive within striking distance. Incidentally they will look out for all American ships at sea, particularly the Paris.

Following on today's news the note of warning was sent to the commanding officers of all the ships comprising the North Atlantic fleet with instructions to have the torpedo boats of the squadron and the speedy ocean tugs now performing the office of dispatch boats, to ply between the ships in the blockade and the shore for the purpose of carry instructions between shore and the ships. The small boats will furnish the signal of the approach of the enemy, which, according to the advices of the navy department is likely to come within hail before the expiration of the next ten days.

WHEN THE ARMY IS READY

The Navy Will at Once Attack the Fortifications Around Havana.

Up to noon Friday nothing had been received by the government indicating that the Spanish fleet had left Cape Verde Islands. What may be the purpose of the Spanish government as to the disposition of this fleet is not known, but the belief among high officials is that the Spanish government will hesitate before sending the pick of its navy into American or even Cuban waters. It must be realized, it is said, that, cut off from a coal supply, they would be at a great disadvantage, and would run a very great risk of total annihilation. Nor is it believed that Captain-General Blanco will be in a hurry to precipitate a conflict, and therefore it is not expected that Captain Sampson's fleet will have very much to do during the next few days but to prevent supplies from entering Havana. Nevertheless, it is believed that hostilities will not be delayed longer than is necessary to get our army within supporting distance. When that is accomplished our navy will not delay an hour, but will immediately attack the fortifications around Havana.

Sampson for Rear Admiral.

Captain Sampson will be nominated a rear admiral. After the war closes he will drop back to his old rank. This step is taken to insure Sampson's command as ranking officer.

Carmack Retains His Seat.

The Patterson-Carmack contested election case from West Tennessee was disposed of in the house Friday, the sitting member, Mr. Carmack, being given the seat by a vote of 136 to 118. Several republicans voted with the democrats, and many declined to vote. Both the contestant and contestee addressed the house in their own behalf.

Contraband of War.

A special dispatch from Madrid says the Spanish government has been officially notified that Great Britain will regard coal as contraband of war.

Texas Tornado.

A destructive tornado passed about four miles southwest of Atlanta, Tex., tearing its way as it went. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson were killed outright. A man named McDuffie died from his injuries and several others were seriously injured.

Schooner Mathilde Captured.

The Associated Press dispatch boat Dauntless arrived in the harbor at Key West Sunday, having in tow the first sailing prize of the campaign, the schooner Mathilde, of Havana, sixty tons, loaded with rum.

CURRENT NEWS IN ALABAMA

State Democratic Convention Pledges Its Support to Defend the Country.

PLATFORM AND RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

Alabama Postmasters Appointed—Mobilizing at Mobile—Chicagoan Locating in Anniston—Play Results Fatally to a Girl in Birmingham.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

A slate roof fell in at Cole City, fatally crushing Joe Gray, a miner.

Dr. H. A. Moody, of Bailey Springs, was elected president of the State Medical Association which convened in Birmingham the past week.

Montgomery Buys a Park.

The city council of Montgomery has entered into a contract with the Highland Park Land company for the purchase from the latter of the oak grove at Highland Park for public purposes. The grove contains forty-five acres and the price paid was $25,000.

Play Results Fatally.

Miss Etta Fulmer, of Birmingham, a 16-year-old girl, died of concussion of the brain, caused from a blow on the head with a foot-rule, inflicted by a schoolmate, in a spirit of fun, while playfully struggling for possession of the rule.

About 2,500 Men at Mobile.

Twelve companies from the Third, Nineteenth and Tenth infantry joined the previous comers in camp at Mobile Friday, making about 2,500 men there. The Second battalion of the Tenth infantry, four companies, arrived Friday night.

Mobile and Ohio to Prattville.

The Mobile and Ohio railroad has been completed past Prattville and connected with the road already finished from Montgomery. There is a large force of help on the road, 150 laying the track and more than 200 surfacing up after the track crew.

Bibb County Populists Put Out a Ticket.

The populist county convention of Bibb county met at Centreville and made the following nominations: For representative, G. W. Hubbard; probate judge, W. L. Pratt; circuit clerk, W. E. Fancher; superintendent of education, J. M. Langston. Congress and the administration were endorsed for their course toward Spain.

Pipe Works Resume Operation.

The big Anniston pipe works, which were burned a year ago, have been rebuilt, and begun operations Monday morning. The plant is one of the largest in the country and has been rebuilt on a larger scale than ever. The work of rebuilding has been prosecuted for months. The works will give employment to nearly 500 men.

Chicagoans Will Locate at Anniston.

A large party of well-to-do Chicagoans will arrive in Anniston with their families this week, where they will locate. Three weeks ago several Chicago parties visited Anniston, were favorably impressed and bought homes. They told their Chicago friends of Alabama's wonderful climate and resources, and as a result several more are now coming.

Call for Vounteers.

The call for volunteers which was issued by the president on Saturday afternoon was officially communicated to the governors of the various states Monday morning. Governor Johnston will issue a proclamation calling for 2,500 volunteers. Recruiting stations will be established and the national guard will be inlisted, each company being recruited to the full maximum limit of 100.

Will Command Alabama National Guards.

Brigadier-General Louis V. Clark will command the Alabama National Guard in event of a call for volunteer troops. By reason of his ability as a military officer he was appointed to the office of brigadier-general by Gov. Johnston two years ago, and his name will undoubtedly be presented to President McKinley, who will place him in command of the Alabama National Guard volunteers.

Alabama Postmasters.

The following postmasters were appointed for Alabama Friday: Wm. L. Jeffrey, Chance, Clarke county; William L. Cofield, Christiana, Randolph, county; J. F. Barnett, Crump, Tuskaloosa county; Nobert H. Matthews, Debernier, Jefferson county; E. L. Humphreys, Elk, Winston county; H. R. Myers, Galloway, Walker county; Peter Grover, Garden City, Blount county; Mattie Nelson, Gill, Coosa county; John H. Glasgow, Glasgow, Butler county; Clara M. Overstreet, Hals Lake, Clarke county; Laura Baldwin, Herndon, Baldwin county; Mary E. Crawley, Indian, Bullock county; John B. Pond, Kinterbish, Sumter county; James M. Morrow, Lamar, Randolph county; John E. Kirkland, Machine, Fayette county; J. R. Hawkins, Molder, Madison county; Curtis P. Moore, Nichola, Clarke county; S. M. Reynolds, Reddock Springs, Butler county; Andrew J. Kohen, Rescueville, Choctaw county; J. M. Wright, St. Elmo, Mobile county; D. Y. Wood, Sardis, Dallas county; S. V. Williams, Savoy, Marion county; Wilson Hayes, Six Mile, Bibb county; George W. Stout, Stout, Franklin county; Norburn P. Moore, Whitehall, Lowndes county.

THE SQADRON'S DEPARTURE.

At the Break of Day the Destroyers Left Key West for Havana.

The North Atlantic squadron, except for the monitors Terror and Puritan and the smaller cruisers, sailed from Key West at 5:45 o'clock Friday morning headed for the Florida straits. The skies were growing grey with the coming dawn when the formidable family of destroyers quietly and unostentatiously steamed away, presumably for the shores of Cuba. Besides the two monitors the ships left behind are the gunboat Helena, cruisers Marblehead, Detroit, Dispatch boat Dolphin and the torpedo boats Cushing, Dupont and Porter.

The departure of the fleet was not so imposing as had been anticipated. On the contrary, there was something of a scramble in getting away. When all was ready the flagship swung around and came well into the harbor, signaling to the other ships about to sail. After receiving responses, she turned and headed for the open sea, with the Iowa and Indiana closely in her rear. The gunboat Machias, lay nearest to three big warships, and was first to swing her bulk into line. She was followed by the Newport, which lay outside. Of the fleet lying close to shore, the Amphitrite was the leader. She was lumbering along after the Machias, her immense guns stretching above her tow free board. She was the first of the monitors to join the war-like procession.

The ships that followed the three leaders—the New York, Iowa and Indiana—were the cruisers Cincinnati, Detroit, Nashville, the gunboats Wilmington, Castine, Machias, Newport, Monitor, Amphitrite, the Mangrove, Mayflower and torpedo boat Foote.

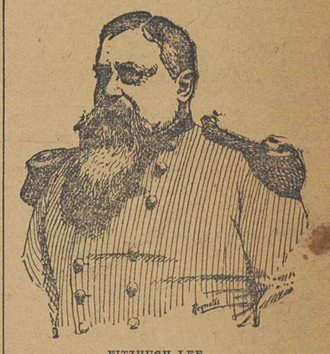
Why the powerful monitors Puritan and Terror did not accompany the fleet could not be learned.

LEE WILL ENTER THE FIGHT.

Thought That He Will be a General in the Volunteer Service.

It is understood that Gen. Lee will unquestionably be made a major general in the United States volunteer army and will lead a division or corps in Cuba.

When asked if the Virginia troops



FITZHUGH LEE.

would be attached to his command, he stated unhesitatingly that they would be, and it has leaked out that he wired Secretary Alger suggesting that the troops destined for Cuba be uniformed in the lightest possible clothing.

When asked if he would accept anything less than a major general's command, Gen. Lee referred to his telegram sent to the Washington authorities from Key West offering his services for any duty he might be called upon to perform, and said:

"I am anxious to return to Cuba to put to rout the Spanish troops, and I would accept a lieutenant's commission, if it permitted me to lead as much as a squad in Cuba."

May Raise Old Glory Over Hawaii.

Advices from Honolulu state that it is rumored that Minister Sewall and Admiral Miller will take formal possession of the Hawaiian islands in the names of the United States as a coaling station. It was impossible to confirm the rumor, as the steamer Rio Janeiro left Honolulu.

President Confers With Senators.

It was learned at the capitol that the president, in conversation with senators, asked them what they thought of the proposition to take the Hawaiian islands as well as the Phillippines as a war measure. Those in favor of annexation of Hawaii express the hope that the San Francisco's report is true.

SENATOR WALTHALL DEAD.

The Distinguished Mississippian Passes Away.

Senator Edward C. Walthall, of Mississippi, died in Washington last Thursday. His death was not unexpected, the end having been foreseen for several days.

Senator Walthall's illness dated from January last, when he contracted a cold, from the effects of which he never recovered. His last address in the senate was made on April 7, when he delivered an eulogy on his colleague Senator George, in spite of the protests of his physicians. The following Saturday he was confined to his bed with a severe attack of typhoid pneumonia, which resulted fatally. The funeral services provide for services in the senate on Saturday. The remains, accompanied by a congressional committee, left Washington Saturday night for Holly Springs, Miss., where he will be buried.

Edward C. Walthall was born in Richmond, Va., in 1831. He served in the Confederate army during the civil war, rising to the rank of Major General. His profession was the law. With the exception of fourteen months from January, 1894, to March, 1895, Mr. Walthall sat continuously in the senate since the 12th of March, 1885.

THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE.

JOHN W. PITTS, - - - EDITOR.

Entered in the post-office at Columbiana Ala., as second class matter.

THE POPULIST NOMINEES.

For Representative,
WM. H. STURDIVANT.

For Judge of Probate,
ADOLPHUS P. LONGSHORE.

For Clerk of the Circuit Court,
JOHN P. PEARSON.

For Superintendent of Education,
EUGENE WILLIAMS.

For Commissioner Second District,
WM. N. GILBERT.

For Commissioner Fourth District,
JOHN T. GLAZE.

NOTICE.

The partnership heretofore existing between J. W. Pitts and Frank Norris has been dissolved, and the partnership effects will be placed in the hands of a receiver for settlement. All accounts due The Advocate to November 1, 1897, are the property of the undersigned, to whom all payments must be made. I will continue the publication of The Advocate.

JOHN W. PITTS.

THE STATE CONVENTION

Has been called to meet at Montgomery on Wednesday, May 4, 1898, to nominate State officers and transact such other business as may be necessary. Shelby will be entitled to 10 delegates. By resolution of the State executive committtee the delegates to the State convention will be also delegates to the judicial and chancery conventions which will meet at the same time.

OUR NOMINEES.

We place at our masthead to-day the ticket nominated in the primaries last Saturday. When a party has spoken in a primary and nominated competent and honest men it is the duty of all good party men to yield their individual preferences and give the ticket nominated a hearty support. In this, as in every other primary we remember to have participated in, we failed to get our choice for all the offices. We believed that it was for the best interest of the party that other men be nominated for some of the offices, but a majority of the party thought different and we gracefully yield to their decision. Now let all factions come together, close up the ranks and move forward to victory in August. We will have something to say about the ticket later.

THE DEFEATED CANDIDATES.

The defeated candidates in the primary last Saturday have nothing to be ashamed of. Of Thomas A. Huston it is unnecessary for us to speak. Every man in the county of every political party knows him to be a peerless christian gentleman, competent to fill any office in the county. The talented John H. Leonard made a splendid race for one of his age. Everything was against him. He was comparatively unknown to the people of the county and the circumstances were such that he could not make a canvass of the county. He can afford to wait.

Hon. G. B. Deans, candidate for Probate Judge, is well and favorably known not only in Shelby County, but over the State, as a gentleman of unempeachable integrity and ability. He has represented this county twice in the Legislature, once in the House and once in the Senate. He is now a member of the Senate from the 15th Senatorial district.

Of D. C. Davis it can be safely said he has made one of the best commissioners the county ever had, Honest and conscientious in the discharge of every duty he has always refused to enter any combines, and in his official acts has ever been governed by what he considered the best interests of the people. He will retire from office with the respect and best wishes of tee people of Shelby, regardless of party.

W. C. Powers, from the 4th district, has not been in office as long as Mr. Davis, but has always been faithful in the discharge of his duties as commissioner and always watched after and protected the interests of his constituents.

It ought to be, and no doubt is, a matter of congratulation to the defeated candidates that their own beats where they are best known stood by them nobly and gave them almost a solid vote.

The Advocate feels that it is due to Mr. R. T. Johnston to say that he withdrew from the race for nomination for circuit clerk several days before the election, which accounts for the small vote cast for him.

The Advocate is pleased to learn that Hon. H. R. Gholson, of the law firm of Gholson and Goodwyn, of Wetumpka, will be a candidate before the convention at Montgomery for Chancellor of this Division. Mr. Gholson is a fine lawyer and well equipped for the discharge of the duties of Chancellor.

Dispatches from Washington convey the pleasing intelligence that Gens. Fitzhugh Lee and Joe Wheeler will be commissioned as major-generals of volunteers in the United States Army. Both these gentlemen were distinguished cavalry commanders in the Confederate Army and it is safe to predict that they will maintain their already enviable reputation as military men.

Secretary Sherman Steps Down.

Washington, April 25.—Another resignation from the Cabinet occurred to-day when the venerable Secretary of State Mr. John Sherman, handed his resignation of the premiership to the President and with it Mr. Sherman retires from public life after a service of over forty years, embracing the House of Representatives, the United States Senate, the Secretaryship of the Treasury and the Secretaryship of State.

The reason for the resignation is the condition of the Secretary's health, which is now impaired as the result of years of devotion to the public service and arduous duties of a life-time added to age, the venerable Secretary being now within a few days of 75 years of age.

The Secretary's resignation was tendered in a simple note tendering to the President the portfolio entrusted to him upon the inauguration of President McKinley and asking that it take effect from the close of to-day. The Secretary was seen by an Associated Press reporter before he went to the Cabinet meeting, but declined to make any statement beyond saying to the reporter that he was carrying with him his resignation and that he might have something to say later in the day.

While no definite announcement can be made at this time as to who will succeed Mr. Sherman, it is altogether probable that the next Secretary of State will be Mr. Wm. R. Day, at present Assistant Secretary. Mr. Day has been urged by the President to take the office, but is personally more inclined to return to Clanton to the practice of law there, though it is believed here that he will yield to the President's wishes in the matter. Mr. Day himself is out of the city and is thought to be in Canton, Ohio, arranging his personal affairs. He has had entire charge of Cuban affairs almost since the beginning of the present administration.

The session of the Cabinet at which Mr. Sherman's resignation was tendered was called early this morning for the purpose of reviewing a message the President will transmit to Congress today recommending that Congress in the exercise of the power vested in it by the Constitution formally declare war against the Kingdom of Spain.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY DAY WILL ACCEPT.

Canton, O., April 25.—Judge Wm. R. Day, accompanied by his son, Luther, reached Canton, via the Pennvania Road, at 10:26, a. m. today. As he stepped from the train, the Associated Press correspondent informed him of the resignation of Secretary Sherman. When asked if he would accept the vacancy, he replied: "I will take the matter under consideration."

While Judge Day declined to talk for publication, the Associated Press correspondent believes it can be announced as a fact that under existing circumstances Judge Day will accept the Secretaryship if the President nominates him and the Senate takes favorable action. It is known that Judge Day made a great business sacrifice when he accepted the place of Assistant Secretary of State. He has felt that he could not afford to take a cabinet portfolio, but under present circumstances, however, it is not believed that he feels he ought to decline.

SENATOR E. C. WALTHALL, senior U. S. Senator of Mississippi, died in Washington City on Friday last, of pneumonia. Senator Walthall was a gallant Confederate Soldier. He enlisted early in '61 as a private; on the organization of his regiment—the 15th Mississippi—was elected Lieut. Colonel and won distinction as its commander in the battle of Fishing Creek. He was promoted to the rank of Colonel, Brigadier and Major-General, holding the latter position at the close of that terrible conflict. After surrender he returned to his home at Coffeyville, and resumed the practice of law, and was ready to defend his late comrades whether they were able to pay him or not. The people of his State knowing his ability and willingness to serve them, called him on nearly every important occasion until his death, and he filled them faithfully and well. He was twice elected to the Senatorship, and like all positions to which he had been called, he filled it with satisfaction. His remains passed through Alabama on Sunday last en route to Holly Springs, the home of his boyhood days for interment.

Mr. M. S. Wilson was elected Chairman of the new Executive Committee and will at once organize a red hot campaign for the ticket nominated Monday. He is possessed of splendid executive ability and Chairman Brown, of the Democratic Executive Committee, will find his match in political management.

Advertiser: "Farmers will not feel the war," says The Chicago Tribune. Unfortunately that remark does not apply to the farmers of Alabama, who have made no provisions for the state of affairs now confronting them. The farmers in the northwest will wax fat if the war is long continued, while ours must start almost from the beginning to prepare themselves to reap some of the advantages which always accrue in war times to those who have food.

The Galveston News advises farmers to keep the old mule at the plow a little longer, "because the soldiers will be fed." Does The News want the mules to get tougher before being turned over to the commissary department?

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.....	3.25pm lv ..Selma..ar	11.28am .....
.....	5.11pm ..Montevallo..	9.25am .....
.....	7.5pm ar..Birmingham..lv	6.15am .....

No. *26	No. *23	STATIONS.	No. *25	No. *27
4.20am	5.45am	lv ..Akron.. ar	6.45pm	6.45pm
5.5 am	6.1 am	..Greensboro..	5.25pm	5.35pm
7.25am	7.49am	....Marion....	3.39pm	4.20pm
8.20am	8.34am	...Marion Jct..	2.35pm	3.4 pm
9.5 am	9.5am	ar ..Selma..lv	1.50pm	3.00pm

No. *29	No. *16	STATIONS.	No. *15	No. *19
.....	7.25pm	lv ..New O'l's..ar	8.30am	.....
.....	5.35am	lv..Meridian..ar	9.50pm	.....
.....	6.25am	....York....	8.40pm	.....
.....	7.2am	..Demopolis..	7.50pm	.....
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.....	12.01pm	..Columbiana..	2.46pm	.....
.....	12.32 pm	..Chelsea.....	2.27pm	.....
.....	1.2 pm	..Talladega..	2.03pm	.....
.....	2.03pm	...Oxford....	1.25pm	.....
....	2.16pm	...Anniston..	1.00pm	.....
.....	2.40pm	..Jacksonville..	12.38pm	.....
.....	3.05pm	..Piedmont..	12.15pm	.....
.....	3.57pm	..Cave Springs..	11.25am	.....
.....	4.32pm	....Rome....	10.45am	.....
.....	10.30pm	ar ..Atlanta..lv	7.50am	.....

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STATIONS.	No. *12	No. *18
Lv Rome	.....	4.45pm
Lv Knoxville	8.25am	9.52pm
Ar Morristown	9.59am	10.59pm
Ar Hot Springs	11.45am	12.23am
Ar Asheville	1.15pm	1.30am
Ar Salisbury	6.40pm	6.00am
Ar Greensboro	9.52pm	8.59am
Ar Raleigh	7.10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk	.....	5.25pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

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Ar Charlotte	8.2 pm	9.00am
Ar Danville	12.00am	1.30pm
Ar Lynchburg	1.58am	3.55pm
Ar Charlottesville	3.7am	5.45pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar Baltimore	8.9am	11.25pm
Ar Philadelphia	10.15am	2.51am
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.21am

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Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., April 7th, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made cfore the judge of the probate court, at Columbiana, Ala., on May 19th, 1898, viz: Patrick H. O'Neil, Homestead entry No. 26,914, for the NE ¼ of NW ¼, Sec. 34, Tp. 21 south of R 4 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz:

James G. Harris, of Montevallo, Ala.; Phillip H. Harris, of Gurnee, Ala.; Andrew J. Goggins, of Gurnee, Ala.; John H. Harris, of Gurnee, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Commissioner's Sale.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, judge of probate for Shelby County, Ala., I. D. C. Davis, as commissioner in said decree named and appointed, will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on the premises near Fourmile church, on Saturday, the 30th day of April, 1898, during the legal hours of sale, the following described property, viz:

The SW¼ and the S½ of S½ of NW¼, all in Sec. 26, Tp. 20, range 1 east, containing 200 acres, more or less, which said property is held and owned jointly by Mary T. Taylor and her husband, J. N. Taylor, who own six and two-third shares in said property, John Jones who owns one share and Mariah Searight and Emiline Sanders, each of whom owns one-sixth of one share or interest; said sale is to be made for the purpose of making an equitable division between the said joint owners.

D. C. DAVIS,
Commissioner.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of one fi. fa. issued from the chancery court of Shelby County, Sixth district northeastern chancery division, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the courthouse, in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 21st day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described property, to-wit:

The east half of the northeast quarter, section 34, township 21, range 3 west. Also one dwelling house and lot in the town of Montevallo, said house is now occupied by H. R. Wells, formerly known as the Tom Wells house; bounded on the south by the Sam Allen lot fronting street running from foot bridge to Southern railroad. All in Shelby County, Ala.

Levied upon as the property of H. R. Wells to satisfy said fi. fa. in my hands in favor of the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited.

This 14th day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

The above sale has been postponed until April 25, 1898

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., April 21, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on June 2, 1898, viz: William Weldon, Homestead entry, No. 24,082, for the SE ¼ of NE ¼, E ½ of SE ¼, NW ¼ of SE ¼, Sec 22, Tp 18, S R 1 E. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Arch A. Stracener, Dock Green, David Baker, Charles W. Baker, all of Vandiver, Ala.

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Notice of Application to Sell Real Estate.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, Shelby County.
Probate court, Special Term, April 6th, 1898.
Estate of Lavalle Payne and Geo. F. Payne, minors.

This day came Terta Payne, as guardian of said minors, and filed her application in due form and under oath, praying for an order of sale of certain lands described therein, and belonging to said minors, for the purpose of their maintenance and education.

It is ordered that the 2nd day of May, 1898, be appointed a day for hearing such application, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

D. R. McMILLAN, Judge of Probate.

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Administrator's Sale.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, judge of the probate court of Shelby County, I. J. L. Peters, administrator of the estate of John T. Cromwell, deceased, will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, in front of the courthouse in Columbiana, Shelby County, Alabama, on Monday, the 16th day of May, 1898, at 12 o'clock, noon, for one-half cash and the balance on a credit of twelve months, with approved security, the following described real estate, to-wit:

One house and lot comprising about seven acres, more or less, situated on Depot street, in the town of Columbiana, it being the last residence of the said John T. Cromwell, deceased, and now occupied by J. R. Beavers, Esq. Also the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 28, township 20, range one west, in Shelby County, Ala.

J. L. PEETERS, Administrator of the estate of John T. Cromwell, deceased.

21Apr3t.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the powers of sale contained in a mortgage made by C. N. Pitts and M. V. Pitts, his wife, on the hereinafter described lands in Shelby County, and recorded in book 30, page 370, et seq., probate office of said county, Ala., which mortgage is payable to The American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited, and by virtue of a second mortgage on the same lands to the Loan Company of Alabama, and recorded in book 30, page 368, et seq., in said probate office of Shelby County, we will sell in front of courthouse door of said county at public outcry, for cash, during the legal hours of sale, on Saturday, the 28th day of May, 1898, the following described lands, conveyed by said mortgages, to-wit: N½ of NW¼ and SW¼ of NW¼ and NW¼ of SW¼ of section 19, and NE¼ of SE¼ of section 24, all in township 20, range 2 east, and containing 200 acres, more or less, which said lands are bounded north by lands of J. L. Walthall, east by T. J. Martin and W. W. Wallace, south by W. W. Wallace and west by J. W. Pitts and W. W. Wallace.

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the debt, interest and expenses of sale, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

THE AMERICAN MORTGAGE COMPANY OF SCOTLAND, Limited, and LOAN COMPANY OF ALABAMA, Mortgagees.

By J. L. PETERS and W. R. NELSON, Attorneys. 21Apr6t.

NOTICE OF FILING PETITION TO REMOVE NON-AGE.

State of Alabama, Shelby County.

In Chancery at Columbiana, Sixth District, Northeastern Chancery Division.

Petition, ex parte, of Hudson W. Nelson, as guardian of Ed. D. Duran, of Shelby County, Ala.

To whom this may concern—greeting:

Whereas, a petition has been filed in this court by Ed. D. Duran, and Hudson W. Nelson, guardian as aforesaid, for the removal of the disabilities of non-age of the said Ed. D. Duran: Therefore, notice is hereby given to all parties in interest, that the matter of said petition will be heard before the Honorable J. R. Dowdell, chancellor of the district aforesaid, at LaFayette, Ala., in vacation, on the 2nd day of May, 1898.

J. R. WHITE, Register.

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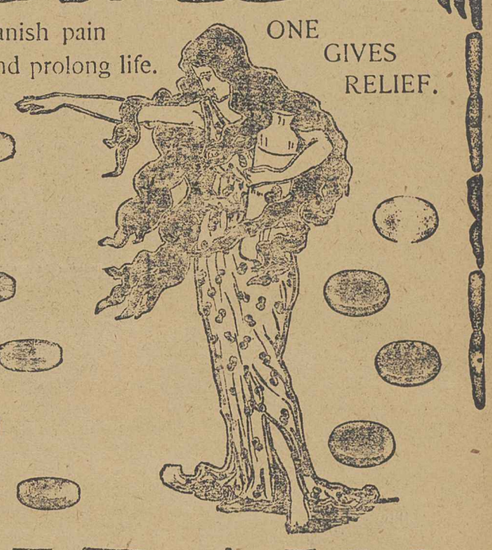

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See new legal ad in this issue.

Freemont Finch, of Shelby, was in town Wednesday.

Rev. A. T. Clarke, of Shelby, was in town Tuesday.

Miss Lucy Smith is spending the week at Maylene.

A torpid liver robs you of ambition and ruins your health. DeWitt's Little Early Risers cleanse the liver, cure constipation and all stomach and liver troubles. J. E. Seale & Co.

Uncle Jeff Elliott made a trip to Birmingham last week.

J. B. Adams, of Longview, was in town on Saturday last.

Children like it, it saves their lives. We mean One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. J. E. Seale & Co.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott filled his appointment at Calera Sunday.

Jno. P. Spencer was over to see us last week for a few hours.

Thousands of sufferers from grippe have been restored to health by One Minute Cough Cure. It quickly cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe, asthma and all throat and lung diseases. J. E. Seale & Co.

Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Beavers visited Shelby Monday.

Rev. Mr. Francis, of Wilsonville, was in our burg Monday.

A good crowd was in town Monday to see the votes counted.

Thirty-five years make a generation. That is how long Adolph Fisher, of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. J. E. Seale & Co.

Claude Duran, of Calera, was in our city Tuesday and Wednesday.

Services were held at the Methodist church Sunday by Rev. J. E. Bird.

Messrs. Brown and Leeper had a fine horse accidently killed yesterday.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly and is a well known cure for piles. J. E. Seale & Co.

Mrs. J. W. Millstead, of Wilsonville, was in the city the first of the week.

Mrs. A. E. Finley and J. T. McMillan, of Calera, were in the city Tuesday.

It is a great leap from the old fashioned doses of blue-mass and nauseous physics to the pleasant little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They cure constipation, sick headache and biliousness. J. E. Seale & Co.

Sam Wallace, of Harpersville, visited his sister, Mrs. Beavers, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. S. H. Gist, of Calera, is spending the week with his son, F. W. Gist, of The Chronicle.

A little boy asked for a bottle of "get up in the morning as fast as you can." The druggist recognized a household name for DeWitt's Little Early Risers, and gave him a bottle of those famous little pills for constipation, sick headache, liver and stomach troubles. J. E. Seale & Co.

We are glad to announce the improvement of Mrs. W. S. DuBose, who has been quite ill.

Capt. W. W. Wallace, of near Harpersville, was in the city a part of Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Nellie Parker has returned from Montevallo. She will not attend school any more this session.

When you can not sleep for coughing take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It always gives prompt relief. It is most excellent for colds, too, as it aids expectoration, relieves the lungs and prevents any tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by Williams Bros.

The many friends of Mrs. Armstrong will be glad to know she has fully recovered from her recent illness.

Eugene Spencer is at home this week on account of the illness of his wife. He is engaged on the road in the shoe business.

I. D. Mason leaves to-day for Baltimore, where he goes to attend the meeting of the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

M. L. Yocum, Cameron, Pa., says, "I was a sufferer for ten years, trying most all kinds of pile remedies, but without success. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was recommended to me. I used one box. It has effected a permanent cure." As a permanent cure for piles DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has no equal. J. E. Seale & Co.

Dr. W. A. Lovett is authorized to receive a few recruits for the Bessemer Rifles. Here is a chance for some of the boys who want to fight the Spanish.

Rev. W. H. Sturdivant, populist nominee for Representative, spent Monday and Tuesday in the city interviewing the boys. He is a hustler and will make it interesting for his opponents in the coming campaign.

The delegates who attended the Sunday School Convention at Birmingham last week speak in high terms of their treatment by the good citizens of Birmingham.

A general change in schedules will take place on the Southern Railway Sunday, detailed figures of which will be made known as soon as possible in the regular schedule advertisements.

THE RESULT.

The Populist executive committee of Shelby County met at the courthouse for the purpose of counting the votes cast at the primary on Saturday and declaring the result.

The committee was called to order at 1 p. m. by the chairman. In the absence of the secretary M. S. Wilson was elected secretary pro tem.

On a call of the beats it was found that all the beats had sent up returns except 2, 5 and 6.

On motion of R. F. Johnson a committee of four, consisting of J. T. Finley, J. W. Pilgreen, G. W. Nivens, G. R. McEwen and A. W. Stridkland, was appointed to open the returns and count the votes. The committee retired and on their return to the courtroom reported the votes as cast for the different candidates as follows:

For representative:
W. H. Sturdivant..... 697

For probate judge:
A. P. Longshore..... 538
G. B. Deans..... 412

Longshore's majority..... 126

For circuit clerk:
T. A. Huston..... 111
R. F. Johnston..... 15
J. H. Leonard..... 363
J. P. Pearson..... 382

Pearson's plurality..... 19

For superintendent education:
Eugene Williams..... 707

For commissioner second district:
W. N. Gilbert..... 94
W. C. Powers..... 34

Gilbert's majority..... 60

For commissioner fourth district:
J. T. Glaze..... 73
D. C. Davis..... 44
J. W. Spradley..... 6

Glaze's plurality..... 29

Following is the vote by beats:

	Longshore.	Deans.
Beat 1	105	45
2		
3	1	191
4	37	88
5		
6		
7	26	46
8	74	1
9	80	3
10	39	3
11	32	2
12	39	9
13	50	1
14	9	2
15	44	
16	23	1
17	10	22
18	10	
Total	538	412

On motion the committee then resolved itself into a mass meeting and a committee of five was appointed to select delegates to the State, judicial, chancery and Congressional conventions. The committee retired and in a few minutes reported as follows:

We, your committee appointed to select delegates to State, judicial, chancery and Congressional conventions, beg leave to suggest as follows:

To State, judicial and chancery conventions—G. B. Deans, B. L. Moore, J. W. Pilgreen, J. T. Porter, J. B. Randall, J. M. Fancher, A. P. Longshore, J. W. Pitts, A. E. McGraw.

To Congressional convention—F. F. Crowe, A. P. Longshore, G. B. Deans, J. P. Pearson, B. W. Brand, J. T. Finley, R. F. Johnston, J. W. Pitts, J. W. McGraw, Robert McEwen.

M. S. WILSON, JOHN W. PITTS,
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Wilsonville High School for Five Weeks Ending April 15, 1898.

First Grade—Vera Jackson, Effie Mathews, Jada Taylor, Brown Hughs, Roy Cobb and Terrell Edwards.

Second Gradge—Roselle Burns.

Third Grade—Maude Edwards, Minnie Weldon, Pearl Hughs.

Fourth Grade—Annie Boyer, Elgin Pope, Sammie Taylor, Clarence Francis.

Fifth Grade—Helen Boyer, Ida Weldon, Renna Taylor, Bessie Niven, Leon Pope, Malene Burns.

Sixth Grade—Percy Burns, Lizzie Taylor.

Seventh Grade—Rosa Graham.

Eighth Grade—Perdie Holland, Purnie Pope, T. V. Neal, Embrue Weldon.

C. A. MATHEWS,
Principal.

School Exhibition.

W. H. Bird, teacher of Chapel Grove school, will give an exhibition at that place on the evening of May 6th, 1898, beginning 7 p. m. All invited. An interesting program has been prepared. A special invitation to county superintendent of education.

Vincent.

On last Sunday Jim Sims approached Walter Bell, who was standing near the depot among about 50 others who were present, and said to Mr. Bell as follows, I heard that you was going to shoot me, so we will step aside and have it out if you are willing. Mr. Bell replied that he did not care for a fuss. Justice Clement approached them insisting that peace prevail, when both men drew pistols and began firing; there were eleven shots fired but no one seriously hurt. It is a miracle that several innocent persons were not shot, as the bullets were flying in every direction. An old grudge was the cause.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL MASS MEETING.

Call for one to be Held on Sunday, May 8, at Columbiana.

The sixteenth annual convention of the Alabama State Sunday School Association was held recently in Birmingham. We avail ourselves of the courtesy of our local papers to call attention to some of its recommendations. It will be admitted that Shelby County should not fall in the rear of worthy progress.

Alabama has made notable advance in Sunday school work during the last five years. In 1893 we stood ninth among Southern States in respect to organization; to-day we are first. Our State Association has been a principal factor in this result. Every county is organized, though a part of the counties only are doing good work. The progress made only serves to reveal how much remains to be done.

The recent convention recommended that every county in the State strive during this year to become a banner county. A banner county is one that is organized by beats. The object is to enlist all denominations in cooperative work to reach every neighborhood and family.

Another recommendation was to raise, if possible, $3,000 this year for the work of the State Association and to employ a field worker for his entire time. There can be no reasonable doubt about the wisdom of this recommendation. We need the assistance of an experienced worker in order that our State may be fully canvassed and properly organized. The lukewarm need to be stirred up and the inexperienced instructed. Every denomination will realize the benefits in the enlargement of its own work. Our county gave nothing to help on this work last year, but is pledged for this year. Every Sunday school should esteem it a privilege to contribute some sum to help on this good cause. About $1,000 was given last year, and about $1,700 has been pledged by other counties. Shall our brethren go to war and shall we stay at home? No other campaign should seem so important to christians as a forward movement to promote Bible study. The best time for aggressive work has come. We shall do well to consider the recommendations of the recent State convention before their best fruits shall be lost to us.

We, therefore, invite our people generally, and especially Sunday school superintendents and pastors, to attend a mass meeting at the Methodist church in Columbiana on Sunday, May 8, at 3.30 p. m., to consider the interests of Sabbath observance and Sunday school work in our county and State.

ISAAC D. MASON,
President County Association
E. T. WITHERBY,
Secretary County Association.
Rev. S. N. BURNS,
Pastor Methodist church.
Rev. W. I. SINNOTT,
Pastor Presbyterian church.
D. R. MCMILLAN,
Superintendent Presbyterian Sunday school.
J. S. FALKNER,
Superintendent Baptist Sunday school.
Rev. A. T. CLARKE.
JOHN W. JOHNSTON.

Lewis Blows.

Mrs. Mollie Williams, we are sorry to state, is no better, but we hope she will soon be restored to her wonted health.

Rev. R. A. Kidd filled his regular appointment at Fourmile Sunday, and delivered a very interesting sermon to a large and attentive congregation.

Henry Templin, of the Kingdom, attended church here Sunday.

Messrs. L. B. Riddle and H. E. Waters spent Saturday Sunday in Talladega County.

Jesse Stone has been in Birmingham a few days transacting business.

Will Stone, of Chapel, attended church here Sunday.

Tom Mooney, of Beeswax, was the guest of Willie Riddle Sunday.

Several of our people contemplate attending the picnic at McGowen's May 7.

Wheat is looking fine in our parts, and it seems like people are going to live at home. Nearly every farmer has a crop of wheat now. SAGER.

Morrow's Schoolhouse.

Mr. Editor, our farmers are moving along nicely. Most all done planting and some are plowing over their corn.

C. C. Stamps is on the sick list; also Joe Blackman.

Mrs. T. R. Stephens was quite sick last week, but is better at this writing.

J. A. Cameron is farming on the big scale.

T. R. Stephen killed a large turkey gobbler for Easter and had a big dinner and singing in the afternoon. He's a good shot and a turkey stands a poor hack before him.

I would be glad to see our correspondents get a move on themselves.

Luck to your many readers.

RAINBOW.

Montevallo.

H. Clay Fancher died suddenly at his residence in this city last night. He was just up from an attack of grip but in the moment of victory the disease attacked his heart and carried him away in the twinkling of an eye. He leaves a widow and six children.

Coroner, Dr. J. M. Babb was here yesterday and held an inquest over the body of a negro baby found in Shoal Creek. The jury found that the child was drowned by its mother immediately after birth. It developed in the evidence that there had probably been another case of infanticide in the same family some time ago, and an inquisition was taken in that also. The coroner issued a warrant for murder in one case and for manslaughter in the other, based upon the verdicts respectfully.

TALLADEGA POPULISTS.

The Populists of Talladega County held their convention Wednesday and made the following nominations:

For probate judge, Jos. A. Edwards.

For the legislature, Jos. Camp and R. B. Caudle.

Commissioner 1st district, Samuel Stewart.

Commissioner 3rd district, A. F. Jones.

No nomination was made for circuit clerk; the executive committee being empowered to make a nomination if they saw proper. The following gentlemen were elected delegates to both the State and judicial conventions: J. C. Hollingsworth, John Thweatt, J. H. Wilson, George A. Smith, Jos. A. Edwards, M. D. Ivey, Ira Rhodes, A. F. Jones, T. D. Parsons, K. J. Thomas, R. B. Caudle, and L. C. Bush.

We understand that the delegates are for M. D. Ivey for judge of the seventh circuit.

J. H. Lawson was elected chairman of the county executive committee.—Mountain Home.

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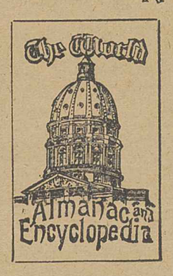

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One yard-wide Sea Island at	4
Good Cotton Checks at	3½
Shirting Calicoes, 10 yds for	35
Amoskage Ginghams, best quality, at	5
Fruit of the Loom or Lonsdale at	6¼
36-inch Percale, in short lengths	5
Turkey Red Calico, in short lengths	3¼
Ladies' Corsets	25
Organdies, in all colors	10
All wool Challies	10
All wool Nuns Veiling	10
Double width fancy cashmere	10
Ladies Ribbed Vests	5
Ladies' Oxfords	50
Ladies' Dongola Shoes	$1.00
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Men's good working Pants	50
Men's gauze Undershirts	15
Men's Balbriggan Undershirts	25
Men's Cassimere Pants, $2 kind, at	$1.25
Men's Shoes, lace or Congress	1.00
Good Worsted Suits in Brown Plaids, worth $4.50, at	3.00
Boy's Knee Suits, sizes 5 to 14	65
Boy's Knee Pants, 5 to 12	15
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Good Y. C. Sugar, 22lbs to the	1.00
Soda, in 1lb packages, 6 for	25

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We ask for your trade this season feeling that our dealings can not fail to be mutually profitable and satisfactory. In the first place our new line of goods for the season is of high grade and quality, strictly modern in style and very low in price. Come right along for we shall meet your expectations and give you the best of satisfaction.

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Men's fur hats, worth $1.00, at	$0.65	Dundee percale	" 12½	" at...	9
" " 1.25, at	95	Dress ginghams	" 8	" at...	5½
" " 2.00, at	1.25	Good soft-finish bleach at			4
" " Diamond brand, worth $2.75, at	2.00	Fruit of the Loom at			8½
" " " 3.50, at	2.50	Heaviest shirting domestic at			4½
Boys' fur hats, worth 50 cent, at	35	9 oz. doeskin jeans at			25
" " " 75 "	55	School boy jeans at			15
Men's white dress shirts, worth 75 cents, at	50	Good heavy cotton jeans at			10
" " " $1.00, at	75	10-4 Pepperell sheeting, bleached and unbleached			18¾
Men's fancy bosom dress shirts, worth $1.00, at	85	Ladies' corsets, worth 75 cents, at			50
Men's all-wool underwear, suits worth $2.50, at	1.50	" " 60 cents, at			40
" " " " 3.50, at	2.00	Men's heavy overshirts, worth 50 cents, at			35
Cashmere dress goods, worth 35 cents per yard, at	20	" " " 75 cents, at			50
Henrietta " " 35 " at	20				
Brilliantine " " 65 " at	45				
Mohair " " 65 " at	45				

All other dry goods and notions will be closed out at very low prices.

In addition to the above we shall offer magnificent bargains in shoes. When we say bargains we mean all that the word implies. Don't fail to drop in and see our splendid line. If the crowd is too dense in front come around to the back door and we will try to pull you in somehow. Full line of groceries as cheap as the cheapest. A call at our store will convince you we mean business.

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The German Emperor's fifth son, Prince Oscar, will be appointed a lieutenant in the navy and in the army on his tenth birthday, on July 27.

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Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

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At the beginning of a recent thunderstorm, electrified drops were observed that crackled faintly on reaching the ground and emitted sparks.

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To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

At Wabash, Ind., a man has built up a paying business in rabbit breeding, having secured a kind that are edible in summer as well as in winter.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Sweden and Norway find the United States a good customer of cod liver oil and matches, these articles being the principle items of export to this country.

Lyon & Co's "Pick Leaf" Smoking Tobacco stands at the top for its delicious aroma. Good as can be made. Try it.

A New York man recently went to an undertaker's, chose a coffin, bargained for its lowest price, purchased it, then returned home and committed suicide.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

The calendar for the present year exactly reproduces that of 1887. Each year began on Saturday, had a 28th day to February and in both years Easter falls on April 10.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

In the course of last year 15,000 persons were naturalized in France, of whom 1,156 were Italians. This is probably the largest number ever naturalized in any European country.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.
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Cannon Lightwood, of the Catholic cathedral at Corfu, was murdered recently in the sacristy of the church by a young Greek who had been denied admission to the priesthood.

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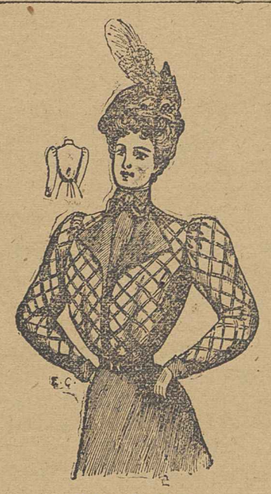
Waist in Rich Mixed Colors.

Much as bayadere stripes are worn, May Manton declares that plaid silks share the honors for the various separate waists, whether they take the



LADIES' WAIST.

blouse form or are made in regulation shirt style. The model shown is in rich mixed colors, with lines of black, the vest, revers, collar and cuffs being of plain colored taffeta, which matches the prevailing tone.

The foundation is a fitted lining which closes at the centre front, but the blouse itself includes shoulder and under-arm seams only. The narrow vest is attached to the right side beneath the front of the blouse and hooks well into place beneath the left edge and rever. The sleeves are one-seamed and in regulation shirt style and are finished at the wrists with turn-over cuffs fastened with silver links. At the neck is a collar of the plain silk finished with turn-over points and worn with a tie of the same. At the waist is a belt of black leather, with buckle and ornaments of steel, and with the blouse is worn a hat of rough straw trimmed with ribbon, lace and aigrettes.

To make this waist for a lady of medium size four and a half yards of material twenty-two inches wide will be required, with five-eighths of a yard for vest and revers.

A Pretty Home Gown.

Fine wool challie in violet and cream is shown, in the large engraving, daintly trimmed with narrow lace and insertion.

The comfort of a pretty home gown is unquestioned in these days of ease and elegance, and the utility of this model will appeal to many women for the simplicity of its outline and graceful effect.

The full fronts are gathered at the top in four rows of shirring, which, when the standing collar is omitted, is finished with a frill of lace.

Gathers at the waist line cause a slight droop in front, the whole being arranged over short basque-fitted linings that close in center. The lining may be omitted if a loose or cooler garment is desired.

A double box plait forms the watteau in back, which joins on to a square yoke under the sailor collar.

Side, back and under arm gores give a smooth adjustment over the hips, and the sash of ribbon passing under the watteau is tied in graceful loops and ends in centre front.

The attractive sailor collar forms square lapels in front, disclosing the shirring between its front edges in yoke effect. A laced edged frill headed by insertion decorates its outer edge.

The two-seamed sleeves that fit the arm comfortably with fashionable fulness at the top are surmounted by two gathered frills, whose lace edges flare stylishly.

The wrists are completed with insertion and a fall of lace.

White, fine woolens, such as cashmere, veiling, French flannel, canvas and crepon, or taffeta, foulard, India or China silk may be decorated as handsomely as desired with ribbon, lace or applique bands of embroidery or braid; the mode is especially adapted to cotton wash materials, and pretty figured or striped lawn dimity or cambric at one-tenth of the price, trimmed with Platt Valenciennes lace and insertion, will prove a gown of beauty and a joy as long as it lasts.

To cut this gown for a lady of medium size five and one-half yards of material forty-four inches wide, or eight and one-quarter thirty inches wide will be required.

Jacket of Hussar Blue.

Hussar blue cloth shown in the accompanying engraving, writes May Manton, is stylishly united with black velvet and brocaded silk, braid passementerie showing up well as decoration on the edge of velvet collar and light toned vest.

The vest fronts of brocaded silk are cut low at the neck and close invisibly in center front, the edges being included in the shoulder and under arm seams of the jacket.

The fronts that fit closely with single bust darts flare apart, to disclose the handsome vest, and the inside facing is of silk to match.

The flaring Medici collar is shaped in four sections, each one being interlined with tailors' canvas, and the velvet facing with fancy braid edge adds a charming finish to this stylish collar.

It is a matter of choice whether the belt shall be worn over the back, and slipped through openings in the under arm seams, or worn under the jacket altogether, the former method being quite fashionable.

The sleeves, shaped with under and upper portions, are of the size demanded by fashion, and flaring cuffs of velvet finish the wrists. Square pocket laps cover the openings to front and breast pockets, either of which can be omitted, if not desired.

While a tailor finish of machine stitching is correct for garments of this kind, braid is equally fashionable and very stylish. The jacket can match or contrast widely with the vest, or it can be omitted, and the jacket

LADIES' WATTEAU GOWN OR WRAPPER.

LADIES' JACKET.

worn as a blazer over a silk blouse or shirt waist of any seasonable material.

To cut this jacket for a lady of medium size one and five-eighth yards of material fifty-four inches wide will be required.

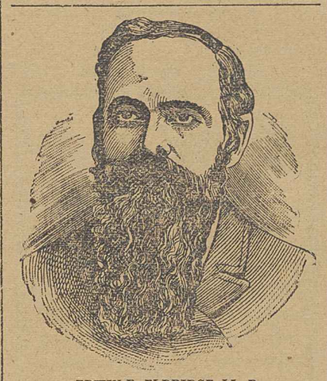
A GOOD COLLEGE

And the Good Work it Is Doing Under a Good President.

No man in the State of Alabama has done more effective and untiring work in the cause of education than has Edwin R. Eldridge, L.L. D., President of the State Normal College at Troy, Ala.

For a third of a century, ten years of which have been spent in Alabama, he has been a consecrated worker in the cause of free public education. The free common schools have never had a more devoted and able champion. In season and out of season, he has sought to promote the spread of free school principles. In his capacity as President of the State Normal College of Alabama, he has excellent opportunity for carrying forward this beneficent work. Under his presidency many an Alabama teacher has received his or her professional training and in this way and by lectures, addresses, press articles, institute work and in a hundred other ways, he has made large contributions to the welfare and growth of our common schools. His educational labors in every section of our State, his impressive personality, his mental endowments (at once agile and vigorous), his ripe experience—all these things make him one of the most conspicuous and honored figures among the educators of Alabama.

The college over which Dr. Eldridge presides is one of the finest schools for the training of teachers that can be found in any State of the South, and it will compare favorably with any institution of similar aims in the States of the North and West. In recalling the great work of Dr. Eldridge in the building up of the Alabama State Normal College, one is reminded of the inscription on the memorial tablet of the



EDWIN R. ELDRIDGE, LL. D.

architect, Sir Christopher Wren, in Saint Paul's cathedral: "If you seek his monument, look around you." When this good man, the President of the State Normal College, shall pass away from earth, the work of his hands will live after him, and whoso may seek his monument will find it in this splendid institution of learning, which he has so largely builded. Could a man have a better monument than this? It is a nobler memorial than towering dome or "storied windows richly dight," or graven bronze or chiseled marble.

This institution was founded by legislative enactment, and it receives an annual appropriation from the State and an annual donation from the Peabody Fund. Last June (1897) it celebrated the conclusion of its first decade. During all this time, save the first year, Dr. Eldridge has been its President. Its growth has been remarkable, and without precedent or parallel in the history of Alabama.

In his recent official statement to the Governor, Hon. Joseph F. Johnston, Dr. J. O. Turner, State Superintendent of Education, has this to say, viz:

"Alabama has just reason to be proud of the successful and valuable and far-reaching work accomplished by her normal schools. As a specimen of the excellent results attained on this line, we may consider briefly the subjoined facts and figures, with regard to one of these schools, namely, the State Normal College, at Troy. The growth of this college has been phenomenal. Hon. Willis G. Clark, the distinguished author of the 'History of Education in Alabama,' which was published eight years ago, in speaking of the attendance at this school in 1888-'89, used these words: 'At this rate the Troy school will soon take the first place in the State, both in the normal and academic departments. This prophecy has been fulfilled in ample measure. The school was founded by act of the Legislature in 1887. The following comparative statement tells (in part) the story of its remarkable development:

	1887-'88	1895-'96
Normal students	80	462
Graduates	4	41
Amt paid to teachers	$4,200	$9,250
Alabama counties represented	9	41
States represented	3	25

"The session just closed (1896-'97) has been even more prosperous than that of 1895-'96. The statistics given above relate to a period of eight years. They constitute a record of expansion upon which the people of Alabama may well congratulate themselves—a record that has seldom been equaled in any State."

Under its plan of organization the College is made up of two departments—the model schools, kindergarten, primary and high school, and the collegiate—the latter embracing courses in scholastic, pedagogy and theology by courses in attendance or absentia, graduates and post-graduates.

In each department the course of study is progressive, modern, practical; and the methods of teaching are of the same high character. The collegiate course is comprehensive enough to the basis of life-work in any of the professions. It is the creed of this college that no profession requires deeper or broader scholarship than the profession of teaching, and the schools that train teachers must be equal to the best schools of any kind in the land. Every effort is made to measure up to this high standard. The faculty of the college is a strong and able one, each teacher being specially qualified for the work and thoroughly devoted to it. As a result of these lofty aims and this concentrated and consecrated effort, the graduates of this institution are well equipped for their work. They take a commanding position wherever they go, and number in their ranks some of the most successful teachers in the South. By the organic law of the college, it is authorized to issue degrees, and its graduates receive State certificates and professional life diplomas from the State Educational Department of Alabama. These certificates and diplomas authorize their holders to teach in any school in Alabama, without further examination or fee, and are the best of professional testimonials in any State of the Union.

Realizing the value of this college, the Methodist Protestant Conference of Alabama, at its late meeting adopted this school as the place for the education and training of its ministerial students and other young men and women of that faith, until such time as the denomination may see fit to erect a college of its own. Rev. J. T. Howell, President of the Conference, has charge of the theological training of these students, and will take the greatest pleasure in giving information regarding boarding facilities and other matters pertaining to this department.

The Congregational Church, South, selected this college likewise as a suitable place for the education of their young people generally and ministerial students in particular. Rev. A. T. Clarke was chosen as Dean of their "theological department," and has, like the Methodist Protestant church Dean, a good class of theological students already at work.

The broad basis of the college permits any church to establish and maintain theological training work in association with the college, on its own basis of management entirely, the State Normal College according them all scholastic and pedagogic privileges on the State law provisions, open alike to all.

One of the strongest features of the State Normal College is the Peabody Summer School of Pedagogy and College Extension. This affords to experienced teachers a professional course largely in absentia. It is a beneficiary of the Peabody Fund and is under the joint control of the Alabama Educational Department and the Peabody and State Normal College management. It is intended, especially, for graduates, or other scholarly persons, already in the work of teaching, but who have never had the opportunity of a systematic course of professional training. The course afforded is three years long, divided into five terms, the midsummer term following the college summer term, July 10-October 1. The Peabody Summer School of Pedagogy is the attendance work, and the other terms' work is home study on outlines and directions sent out from the State Normal College office.

As this Peabody Summer School is associated with and included under the State Normal College, the graduates may receive the degrees which are conferred by the college and also the State certificates and professional life diplomas mentioned above, and which are so desirable. Another advantage of this summer school is that persons attending it have the opportunity to take up for review or for study de novo any of the scholastic branches in the summer term of the college, which is then in session, with the full teaching corps of the college present for duty. The facilities and opportunities offered by this Peabody Summer School of Pedagogy and College Extension are unequaled anywhere in the South.

The Alabama State Normal College is not only one of the best schools in our State and section, but it is also one of the cheapest. The average cost of attendance is as follows:

A. Board for 10 months	$ 81.00
B. Washing, etc	15.00
C. Books and other contingencies	15.00
D. College incidentals	20.00
Total expense for 10 months	$131.00

It should be noted, also, that the college issues certain scholarships, which largely reduce the above expenses, as small as they are already.

All perons may rest assured that Dr. E. R. Eldridge, the President, will cheerfully furnish any information desired, or aid schools in finding good teachers, as many schools and teachers already know.

UNCLE SAM'S DOMAIN.

With All of His Extravagance He Still Owns Over 600,000,000 Acres.

The idea that Uncle Sam is at present a landless old fellow has generally taken possession of the people throughout the country. This, however, is a great mistake. He still has land enough to give each one of his 73,000,000 childen a nice little homestead of eight acres each and still have over 16,000,000 acres left. In other words, your dear old uncle still owns something over 600,000,000 acres, distributed as follows throughout the various States and Territories:

Alabama, 532,339 acres; Arizona, 54,400,211 acres; Arkansas, 3,922,042 acres; California, 43,841,044 acres; Colorado, 4,037,204 acres; Florida, 1,797,662 acres; Idaho, 45,962,855 acres; Kansas, 1,046,589 acres; Louisiana, 845,020 acres; Michigan, 522,431 acres; Minnesota, 6,240,049 acres; Mississippi, 41,441,220 acres; Missouri, 497,764 acres; Montana, 71,432,917 acres; Nebraska, 10,669,353 acres; Nevada, 61,578,586 acres; New Mexico, 56,983,047 acres; North Dakota, 21,385,293 acres; Oklahoma, 8,105,238 acres; Oregon, 35,892,318 acres; South Dakota, 13,250,718 acres; Utah, 44,207,270 acres; Washington, 17,958,536 acres; Wisconsin, 454,107 acres; Wyoming, 49,341,588 acres, and Alaska, 369,529,600 acres.

About one-half this vast amount of land it will be seen lies in Alaska, and it is very certain that this will never be available for homestead purposes, but for mining purposes its value in gold coin may prove to be even greater than though it were arable. The larger part of the balance lies in fertile and productive States, and is all subject to homestead laws.

Those who want homes should avail themselves of the more than liberal homestead laws of the United States. This is the place for the surplus labor.—St. Louis Star.

Eating Before Sleeping.

A short time since physicians held the eating of food immediately before retiring almost a crime. The old theory is quite exploded. One medical journal, in commenting on the subject recently, said that while it is not good, as a matter of fact, to go to bed with the stomach so loaded that the undigested food will render one restless, still something of a light, palatable nature in the stomach is one of the best aids to quietude and rest. The process of digestion goes on in sleep with as much regularity as when one is taking violent exercise to aid it, and so something in the stomach is very desirable for the night's rest. Some physicians have declared, indeed, that a good deal of the prevalent insomnia is the result of an unconscious craving of the stomach for food in persons who have been unduly frightened by the opinion that they must not eat before going to bed, or who have, like many nervous women, been keeping themselves in a state of semi-starvation. Nothing is more agreeable on retiring for the night than to take a bowl of hot broth, like oatmeal gruel, or some good, nourishing soup. It is a positive aid to nervous people, and induces peaceful slumbers. This is especially the case during cold winter nights, when the stomach craves warmth as much as any other part of the body. Even a glass of hot milk is grateful to the palate on such occasions, but a bowl of light, well-cooked gruel is better, and during the cold months of winter should be the retiring food of every woman who feels, as many do, the need of food at night.—New York Ledger.

Eggs As Food.

Would it not be wise to substitute more eggs for meat in our daily diet? About one-third of an egg is solid nutriment. This is more than can be said of meat. There are no bones, no tough pieces that have to be laid aside. A good egg is made up of ten parts shell, sixty parts white and thirty parts yolk. The white of an egg contains 66 per cent. water and the yolk 52 per cent. Practically an egg is animal food, and yet there is none of the disagreeable work of the butcher necessary to obtain it. The vegetarians of England use eggs freely; and many of these men are eighty and ninety years old, and have been remarkably free from sickness. Eggs are best when cooked four minutes; this takes away the animal taste, which is offensive to some, but does not harden the white or yolk so as to make them difficult to digest. An egg if cooked very hard is difficult of digestion, except by those persons possessed of stout stomachs; such eggs should be eaten with bread and masticated very finely. An egg spread on toast is fit for a king—if kings deserve better food than anybody else. Fried eggs are much less wholesome than boiled ones. An egg dropped into hot water is not only a clean and handsome, but a delicious, morsel. Most people spoil the taste of their eggs by adding pepper and salt. A little sweet butter is the best dressing. Eggs contain much phosphorus, which is supposed to be beneficial to those who use their brains much.—The Ledger.

The Zoar Community.

The community of Separatists at Zoar, Ohio, which was established by a band of Germans from Wurtemburg early in 1800, is now held together by three old widows, who refuse to consent to the dissolution of the society. The women in Zoar have a vote on all questions pertaining to the management of the community, and there can be no disbandment unless by unanimous agreement. All of the members of the society are said to favor a division of the property, amounting to about $1,000,000, excepting these three venerable women, who are satisfied with the community plan of government, and declare that it must be maintained while they live.

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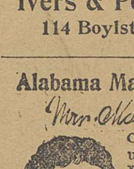

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